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WIN ONE FOR THE MECCA



Ronney Gibbs (24) tries to lift Howard to their first conference victory against FAMU.

Bison let FAMU game slip away

Blow 11 point lead in final quarter to lose 11th straight

By CHRISTOPHER TAYLOR

Hilltop Staff Reporter

Up 59-48 with 14:48 to go, the Howard University men's team had to win right? The game had to be in the bag? Well...Not this time.

Two free throws by forward Reginald Finney with six seconds left gave the Rattlers a 88-84 victory over Howard University in a Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference game played before 2,200 people Monday at Burr Gym.

Finney free throws came after, Howard's Sean Mason scored a basket to cut FAMU lead to 86-84 with 14 seconds to go. The inbound pass by the Rattlers went to guard Kenneth Davis (game high 28 points) who passed to Finney who was fouled by Bison forward Tracy King with six seconds to go. "I took my time to hit those free throws and put icing on the cake," said Finney.

FAMU (6-8, 4-3) was able to come back from an 11 point second half deficit to win, thanks to a superior effort in getting offensive rebounds. They enjoyed a 42-28 advantage and got 15

offensive boards to Howard's seven, most of those coming in the second half.

With 1:00 to play, FAMU forward Kelvin Daniels (19 points) got a huge basket from an offensive rebound, plus a foul by Howard guard Milton Bynum, which following the free throw gave the Rattlers a six point lead at 85-80 with 39 seconds left.

"The scouting report said we

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Weekend shooting near Howard Plaza leaves four wounded, one fatally

By RON N. SKARD

Special to the Hilltop

Violence that has marked Washington in recent years spilled onto Howard's campus Saturday as four people were shot, one fatally, in front of the Howard Plaza Towers following an argument triggered by a near automobile collision close to the dormitory.

Students, who were outside at about midnight, ran for cover as shots rang out. No students were injured in the incident, however, a D.C. police officer, who lives in the Plaza and is a student, reportedly found himself caught in the crossfire. He was allegedly leaving the Plaza when he saw the men arguing.

At presstime, it is still unclear what happened next. But students who witnessed the incident said the officer fired several shots at the gentlemen. Although two men have been charged with homicide, a ballistic test is reportedly being conducted to determine if any shots fired by the officer struck the men.

A student, who wished to remain anonymous, watched the incident unfold

from his window at the Plaza. "I heard about eight gunshots," he said. "When I looked out of my window I saw someone shooting. When I came outside, I saw one guy who was obviously dead."

A Howard security officer, who also wished to remain anonymous, was driving by the Plaza when the shooting began. "I was coming from the East Campus when I saw someone fire about five rounds," he said. "I ducked under the dash board until it was over."

He said it appeared that one of the men was shot in the hip, one in the head, one in the chest and one in the leg. He also said that the men dropped their guns and tried to run. "One ran toward MacDonald's and one ran toward Sherman Avenue before they fell," he said.

Robert Frelow, manager of the Plaza, said students can use this incident as a learning experience. "Students really have to cooperate with security officers by using their security cards and the buddy system."

The case is still under investigation, according to police officials.

Escort service hopes to provide safer environment

By DONNA LEE

Hilltop Staff Reporter

To assist in combating crime around the Howard University campus, the Security Division Crime Prevention Unit has implemented a campus crime prevention plan. If successful, the plan will help faculty, students, staff and administrators become aware of various crimes and help them avoid potential crime situations.

William Brown, a senior at Howard University, is the newly appointed Crime Prevention Officer. Brown said Howard will benefit from this plan simply because "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

In revamping the program, Brown said his main goal was to inform the

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Petitions for student elections now available

By JENNIFER GOLSON

Hilltop Staff Reporter

With Spring semester '91 in full swing, various activities have again been placed into action, including the procedures regarding the 1991 General Assembly Elections.

Serving in her second year as elections chairperson, Yolanda Jones noticed the increase in the voter turnout, but is not sure of what else is needed to draw more students to the polls. There was a total of 2,051 students at the polls this year as opposed to 1,835 from the 1990 election.

"There are places all over campus for (voting) machines," Jones said, and remarked that there is a voting machine placed "in almost every building on campus."

In addition, Jones said there have been ads placed in *The Hilltop*, flyers posted and commercials broadcasted

over WHBC (830 AM).

"I'm not sure what else I can do," she said, adding that perhaps she was too "involved" in the elections process to notice any other changes that could be enacted.

Petitions for general assembly positions were made available to students on Friday, Jan. 18 and will be due this Wednesday at 3 p.m. to the Armour J. Blackburn Center, room 116.

Jones said there have been more requests for the position of Undergraduate Trustee than for Howard University Student Association President, Vice President or Graduate Trustee. This trend is similar to that of last year's.

Students filling petitions for HUSA positions need 555 signatures, while potential Undergraduate Trustee candidates need 200 and those for Graduate Trustee need 100.

HUSA candidates must also be in

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Alpha Kappa Alpha

Sorority inactive for 1990-91

The administration of Howard University was informed last week by the national office of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, that the Alpha Chapter (on campus) has been placed in an inactive status until further notice. This makes the sorority ineligible to participate in any campus activities or conduct activities related to recruiting new members during the 1990-1991 school year.

Marion Hull, faculty advisor for the sorority, said there is a possibility that pledging activities may be occurring on campus. "We have been hearing that there have been activities where girls have been lead to believe that there will be a line this year," she said. "Girl's have said to me 'I thought you said there wasn't going to be a line this year.'"

The last time the pledging process took place was in the spring of 1990 after being banned the two previous years.

Members of Alpha Kappa Alpha questioned about their inactive status refused to comment on the situation.

For the Record

On November 30, 1990 *The Hilltop* published an article concerning a letter written to the chairman of the Physical Education Department making certain allegations against Dr. Oliver Odo.

At the time of publication, *The Hilltop* believed the article to be correct. However, further investigation revealed that the allegations were not accurate. Therefore, *The Hilltop* retracts the article and sincerely apologizes for any difficulty or embarrassment it may have caused Dr. Odo.

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When the war hits home

Some students have a personal stake in Gulf conflict

By REGINA M. MACK

Hilltop Staff Reporter

As a result of the full fledged war in the Gulf, many families in the states are separated from their loved ones. Many protestors throughout the nation are now advocating in favor of military action in the Gulf, because they believe the sooner the war is over, the sooner they can be reunited with their relatives.

However, while the war continues, students in the Howard community, with family members in the war have turned to pray. On January 24, the United Ministries and the Office of the Dean of Chapel sponsored an all-campus "Call to Prayer" to a variety of expressions and concerns for peace.

Dean of the Chapel, Dr. Evans E. Crawford, is also in the process of assisting students in establishing sanc-

tuary points in case the draft comes.

"It's a good possibility that when the National Coalition of Ministries compiles its list of references throughout the country, and especially in the D.C. area that many of the churches will be white. We've been in the process of citing churches like Ashberry United Methodist, Metropolitan A.M.E. and Union Temple and several other black churches in the communities. I admire these students, because they are not waiting until the draft comes," Dean Crawford said.

Students continue to voice these concerns about the role the Afro-American community plays in the Gulf Crisis. Donald McClintock, a junior pharmacy major feels that "usually military force in the Gulf is morally wrong. I'm strongly opposed to it. It's not the Afro-American community's

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Kondria Black, a sophomore from North Carolina, has a father who is stationed in the Persian Gulf.

CAMPUS

New program to groom future entrepreneurs

By KAREN GOOD

Hilltop Staff Reporter

The Small Business Development Center in the School of Business is on its way to developing an institute within the school, focusing on entrepreneurship and helping teach students how to start successful Black businesses—on their own.

Nancy Flake, director of the center, explained that proceeds from the Sixth Annual Salute to Blacks In Business Conference will be used to build the institute. The conference usually offers receptions, free workshops, and a luncheon; however, this year a business trade fair will be added for the first time—a very important factor in the establishment of the institute.

"As far as monies raised from the conference," Flake said, "we usually break even, but there will be a fee for exhibitors for the trade fair, so the proceeds will go to the new program."

"It's very important that everyone attend the trade fair. It will not be successful if people don't participate!"

The trade fair will give Black owned businesses, large corporations, as well as local, national and student entrepreneurs the opportunity to facilitate business opportunities, employment, and sales of merchandise. However, the proceeds from the conferences may not be enough.

"It will take a lot of money," Flake explained. "...several million dollars to do this full force. Money from the conference is just enough to get the fund raising effort off the ground."

"We need money that will be perpetual," Flake continued. "We're going to go to corporations, government agencies, African-American entrepreneurs, and foundations in an effort to raise the funds. We are discovering ways to endow the program so it will generate earnings to make [the institute] long term."

Despite the financial difficulties that may arise, Flake is very optimistic. Many plans have already been implemented, such as a half hour small business magazine television show to be shown on WHMM.

The show will highlight successful Black entrepreneurs such as Earl Graves, Don King, Percy Sutton, Terri Williams and Bea Smith. Flake believes Howard University will be the first college or university to have this type of program to air on television.

Flake explained that the main thrust of the institute will be a curriculum on entrepreneurship to be founded in the School of B. Students will learn how to establish and finance their businesses, as well as how to make them more profitable. She would like to remind Hilltop readers that "the institute is not just for business majors—it's for everyone."

Joseph Conrad is another individual working with the institute. A Supervi-

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photo by Kevin J. Lee

Shuttle service brings eight additional seats to students.

Additional buses may bring efficiency

By SHAUNTAE BROWN

Hilltop Staff Reporter

In an attempt to improve the shuttle bus service, The Goldline/Grayline bus company has added new busses and is working toward following the schedule.

Goldline/Grayline, the company which supplies the shuttle bus service, has added one new bus to both the Sutton Plaza and the Meridian Hill routes.

The new power steering buses are five feet longer and have a 51 passenger seating capacity compared to the older 43 passenger seating capacity.

James Boykin, director of operations at Goldline, said, "these two buses are on a trial basis now and their performance will determine if the company will be getting additional buses."

Although the buses are new, they are not infallible. According to Boykin, one of the buses has had to have service for brakes, while the other has had the replacement of a power steering hose.

Angela Phillips, a sophomore Meridian Hill resident, said, "I'm glad to see the company trying to accommodate the high volume of students, particularly during the rush hour period."

Patrick White, a sophomore Sutton

Plaza resident, said, "The new buses provide much more leg room, but I don't care if they are new or old, as long as they run on time. And they still need to work on being on time."

Boykin said the company has worked to improve problems by having the same operator work every weekend.

"We never had a consistent person to work the weekend shifts. Sometimes people would show up and sometimes they wouldn't. Now we have people who are more dependable and take a real interest in getting the job done," he said.

Kimberly Miller, a sophomore Meridian Hill resident, said, "I can't complain. They have been running at night and on the weekends like they are supposed to."

Netta Rucker, a sophomore Sutton Plaza resident, does not agree.

"They have improved on the weekends, but during the week they leave too early. I should not have to leave 20 minutes early," she said.

Rev. James Coleman, director of the office of special programs, said, "We have not gotten the high volume of complaints that we had received last September, but I would like to remind students if they have problems to report them to the office of special programs."

Lack of graduate funds leaves a financial void

By PAMELA D. FORD

Hilltop Staff Reporter

Annually, only eight percent of Howard University alumni contribute funds to the university according to Nesta H. Bernard, Director of the Office of Alumni Affairs.

This number is low in comparison to the 25 to 30 percent yearly contributions that Georgetown University's Alumni Affairs reported.

While many students feel that more alumni should give back to Howard, they understand the reasons why most do not.

"By the time we graduate from here, people are tired of Howard losing their money," said Nakima

Davis, a junior international business major. "People don't trust Howard with their money and don't know where it's going."

However, Davis added that she will give money after she graduates.

"If I can help one student gain an education, I will," she said.

Rachel Watkins, a sophomore African-American studies major, added that, "We as African-Americans need to pull our resources together to have something all our own, especially in our educational institutions."

She added that she felt obligated to give back to Howard after she graduated.

The goal of the Howard University Office of Alumni Affairs is to encourage participation from Howard graduates and past students. The office is

divided into five components including, fund raising, mass mailings, special events, a newsletter and alumni meetings.

Currently there are 82 Howard University clubs and professional associations. Clubs are located throughout the U.S., and in the Caribbean and Africa. Professional associations consist of Howard's schools and colleges and the alumni of student organizations such as the marching band.

In addition to post-graduate alumni organizations, there is the Pre-Alumni Association. This newly formed organization's mission is to destroy apathy among students before they graduate. The group was

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Alumni support critical in generating revenue, university officials claim

By CHRISTOPHER CONTI

Hilltop Staff Reporter

Despite 82 alumni clubs and associations nationwide, as well as in Nigeria and Jamaica, the Howard University Office of Alumni Affairs continues to address the problem of enhancing the financial participation of the university's graduates.

Ms. Nesta H. Bernard, Director of Alumni Affairs, contends that it is every student's obligation to support their parent institution.

"We are constantly seeking to enhance alumni participation. Ideally, we would like to see 100 percent participation [in the clubs and association], but we would be happy with 60 percent," said Bernard.

The Office of Alumni Affairs praises alumni clubs and associations

for their group efforts in student recruitment. However, the office challenges individual graduates to make financial contributions to the university.

University officials agree with the Office of Alumni Affairs in the belief that enhanced individual financial sponsorship will greatly improve the current fiscal snarl faced by the university.

Alumni club and association membership ranges between 3300 and 4000 members, and has never gone above 4000—a relatively small percentage of the total number of university alumni.

"It is essential that we support our own. Aside from the relief provided by individual financial contributions, it provides administrators with a degree of leverage when they solicit support from outside sources," Bernard said.

"We cannot go to others in good conscience to ask for support when we don't have the support of even half of

our own alumni," she added.

Data management officials can accurately account for approximately 38,000 alumni whose names and current addresses are kept on file in the Office of Alumni Affairs.

Average annual alumni contributions consistently reach approximately \$1.2 million; representative of contributions of approximately 8 percent of the total number of Howard University alumni.

The Office of Alumni Affairs is currently working to achieve financial contributions from at least 40 percent of the total number of alumni.

By contrast, local majority institutions enjoy significantly higher alumni contributions. The Georgetown University Alumni

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photo by Kevin J. Lee

Students find themselves moving through the bookstore faster, facing shorter lines.

Bookstore innovations 'check out' with students

By TANISHA MASSEY

Hilltop Staff Reporter

Howard University Bookstore aims to improve its relationship with students this semester by attempting to decrease the pains associated with buying books.

Due to a shortage of space near the cash register area, the bookstore recently bought three additional cash registers for \$32,000, one of which is located near the rear of the store to handle student vouchers only. "For a couple of years we (bookstore personnel) noticed everyone was in one area," said Alexander, the bookstore's budget and fiscal director.

"Now lines are going a lot faster and

we opened the fire exit for more area," said Alexander. Eventually, the bookstore plans to expedite the voucher system by installing tele-checkers to quickly scan credit-cards.

Some students will agree that the additional cash registers have increased the process of purchasing books. Wil Greenfield, a sophomore mathematics major, said, "I just went straight through the line to the cashier, it took me about 10 minutes." However, most students still believe the bookstore's effort have not changed much. "They opened up more registers," said Idris Ahmad, a sophomore zoology major, "but the cashier line is still slow."

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Campus Digest

ACADEMIC REINFORCEMENT PROVIDES MINI-COURSES

The Howard University Center for Academic Reinforcement (CAR) would like to invite all interested students to sign up for free five-week mini-courses designed to enhance study and writing skills. If you are currently having trouble in school, or if you simply wish to improve your study skills, then these mini-courses are for you.

The course offerings include: Term Paper Writing, Test Taking, Memory and Concentration, Listening and Note-Taking, Reading Comprehension, and Goal Setting. These courses will be offered for two mini-sessions; Jan. 28 - Mar. 1 and Mar. 25 - Apr. 26.

These spring semester mini-courses are part of the Center for Academic Reinforcement's ongoing

effort to assist Howard students in their pursuit of academic excellence. There are courses offered to help virtually every student improve upon their academic performance.

Due to the limited number of seats available, registration will be on a first come, first served basis. Course listings and times in addition to sign-up sheets are available in Academic Support Building B, room 105.

CHARTER DAY DINNER HONORS ALUMNI

The Howard University Office of Alumni Affairs will be hosting its annual Charter Day Dinner to be held on Friday, March 1, 1991 and 7:30 pm at the Washington Hilton. There will be a pre-dinner reception at 6:30 pm.

This year's alumni honorees are: Hon. David Dinkins, Hon. Gwendolyn Stewart-King in the area of government

and public service, Gerald D. Prothro in the area of business and corporate affairs, and Hon. Leander J. Shaw, Jr., in the area of law and judicial administration.

Tickets may be purchased by contacting the Office of Alumni Affairs at (202) 806-8600.

6th ANNUAL SALUTE TO BLACKS IN BUSINESS

The theme for the 1991 annual Howard University Salute to Blacks in Business is "Building Profitable Businesses: An Agenda for the '90's." The event, to be held from Feb. 6 to Feb. 8, consists of a variety of seminars and workshops designed to enhance the knowledge of Howard University students in various areas of business and economic empowerment.

Events include: "How To Finance a Small Business", "Planning For Financial Success", "Doing Business With

Corporate America", and a Business Trade Fair. The conference, co-sponsored by the School of Business Student Council, will also honor African-American entrepreneurs for their achievements in their respective business communities.

IN MEMORY OF GEORGE H. HAMMOND, PROTECTOR OF STUDENTS

George Herman Hammond, 48, son of Mrs. Salen Parker-Hammond and the late Madison Hammond, departed this life suddenly on Thursday, Jan. 17, 1991 at Malcolm Grow Hospital, Andrews Air Force Base.

Hammond served five years with the Metropolitan Police Department before joining Howard University Security on Sept. 12, 1977, where he remained in service until his death.

Mr. Hammond leaves his wife, mother, brothers and sisters.

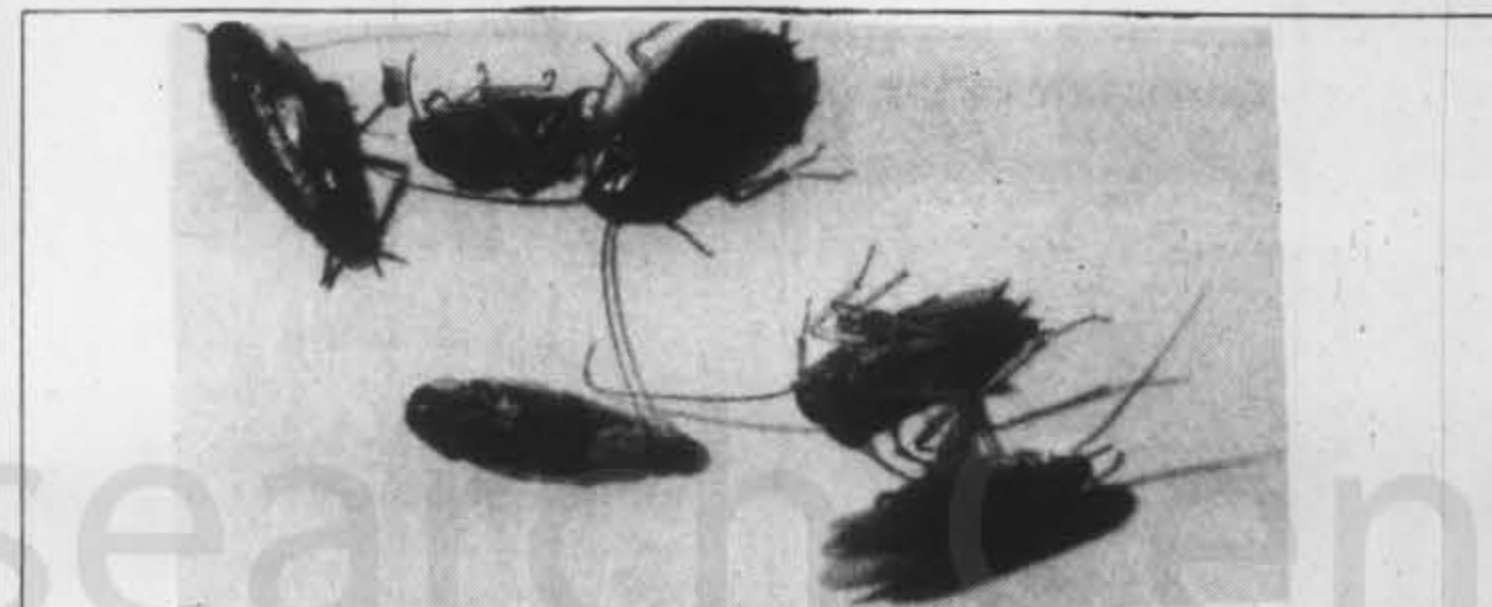


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Roaches and other pests still haunt dorms

War declared on dorm pests

By ERIKA GRAVETT

Hilltop Staff Reporter

In spite of the Office of Residence Life's efforts to resolve the long-standing rodent and insect problems in campus dormitories and buildings, many students argue that the problem is as prevalent as ever.

"Roaches are everywhere! They said they exterminated, but I think the problem is even worse," said Stacey Harris, sophomore elementary education major and resident of Meridian Hill Hall. The Office of Residence Life main-

tains an annual contract with Steritech, a local pest control company, with funds allocated for weekly extermination of campus dormitories.

"We provide services all year-round," said Eric Eicher, General Manager of Steritech. "The primary pest we are dealing with is the German roach which is found in buildings," Eicher said.

The German roaches are carried into buildings in items such as shopping bags, boxes and suitcases. In general, roach infestation is more prevalent during the summer months. As the tem-

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! HELP US HELP YOU !

The Office of Financial Aid and Student Employment will be conducting financial aid seminars during the months of January and February (see schedule below).

01/25/91 Blackburn Auditorium
2:00-4:00 p.m. Students/General Public

02/07/91 Blackburn Forum
2:30-4:40 p.m. Community/Others

02/18/91 Blackburn Auditorium
2:00-4:00 p.m. Students/General Public

02/28/91 Blackburn Auditorium
2:00-4:00 p.m. Community/Others

REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR ADDRESS DATA CURRENT WITH THE REGISTRAR'S OFFICE, ROOM 128, JOHNSON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

SEE OTHER SIDE FOR A SAMPLE OF THE TYPE OF INFORMATION TO BE PRESENTED AT THE SEMINARS.



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How to Avoid Errors in Completing the 1991-92 Financial Aid Form (FAF*)

Because the FAF is scanned by machine and then processed by computer, it must be neatly and accurately completed. Below are some suggestions for avoiding errors made by students and parents when completing the FAF. These errors delay the processing of a student's FAF.

- DON'T** forget to include the correct processing fee before mailing your FAF if you want colleges and programs to receive your information.
If the fee is not included, CSS will not send your FAF information to any colleges and programs.
- DON'T** staple the check or money order to the FAF.
Stapling the payment and the FAF together requires special handling that delays processing.
- DON'T** forget to include the college(s) you listed in question 29 in the Student's Colleges & Programs area on page 4 of the FAF.
If you don't list the college(s) again in the Student's Colleges & Programs area, CSS will not send information to these colleges and you may not be considered for financial aid funds, which are limited. Use the CSS Code List from the FAF. If no code number is listed, be sure to give the full mailing address of the college or program.
- DON'T** forget to sign your FAF in the Certification area on page 2.
Everyone giving information on the FAF must sign it. If you don't sign, the FAF can't be processed and will be returned to you.
- DON'T** overlook Sections F-R, and S (if applicable).
Many state agencies and colleges require applicants to complete all sections of the FAF. CSS recommends that you not skip Sections F-R, and S (if applicable), unless your college gives its okay.
- DON'T** use ballpoint pen, ink, colored pencil, crayon, or magic marker.
Use only a sharp No. 2 (soft-lead) black pencil. Ink, magic marker, and ballpoint pen tend to smear and "bleed" on the form. The scanner cannot read colored pencils or crayons.
- DON'T** use "white-out" or other correction fluid anywhere on the FAF.
Use only a sharp No. 2 (soft-lead) black pencil. Erase your answers (carefully and completely) if you make a mistake.
- DON'T** cross out or write over an entry.
If you make mistakes, use a clean pencil eraser only, not an ink eraser. Erase completely and carefully. Don't leave smudges or marks.
- DON'T** use check marks or put a dash or "NO" in the answer boxes.
Mark response boxes with an "X," like this: ☒
- DON'T** write in the margins of the FAF or outside the answer boxes or spaces.
Write only in the response areas on the form. If you need to make comments, use the section entitled "Explanations/Special Circumstances."

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- DON'T** enter a range of figures, such as \$800-1200, on the FAF.
If an exact figure is not known, give the best single estimate — for example, \$1000. Put negative amounts in parentheses — for example, (\$1000).
- DON'T** put two separate amounts in one answer area.
Make only one entry for each answer space.
- DON'T** send letters, tax forms, or other materials with your FAF.
Letters, tax forms, or other materials will not be used when processing your FAF and will be destroyed. If there are special circumstances that you believe will affect your eligibility, contact the college(s) to which you will be applying.
- DON'T** send the FAF by registered, certified, or express mail.
Send the FAF by regular, first class mail. If a special mailing service is used, it will delay the processing of the FAF.
- DON'T** send a photocopy of the FAF for processing.
Photocopies of the form cannot be processed and will be returned to the student.
- DON'T** send a FAF that has been torn, crumpled, or stained.
Forms that are torn, crumpled, or stained cannot be processed and will be returned to the student.
- DON'T** change, delete, or add to any part of the printed FAF (for example, don't change 1990 to 1991 or, on a state-specific FAF, don't cross out FLORIDA 08 and insert GEORGIA 25 in its place).

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Ban Quorums

Section 3 and clause D of the Howard University Student Association's constitution states, "All business before the policy board must be approved by a 2/3's vote." Throughout the HUSA constitution, as well as in the constitutions of other student run government bodies, decision making processes require a specified number of voting members—a quorum—in order to enact substantial policy. Since various campus policy-making institutions have been unable to achieve a quorum and enact new programs which would foster improvements to the quality of student life on our campus, the quorum system should be abolished.

The quorum system was devised, as the preamble of the HUSA constitution states, "...to provide for: broad involvement and adequate representation of all major student segments..." Such measures are, indeed, intended to encourage policy-making representative of "broad sectors" of our student body and to protect against the tyranny of a minority faction. Sadly, these measures have resulted in a lack of new policy, as well as in creating policy-making institutions which are slow and ineffective.

For example, at the end of last semester, The

Hilltop Policy Board, which is comprised of student representatives from the different schools and colleges as well as several faculty members, were unable to reach the required quorum to vote on a proposal that would approve publication of The Hilltop twice a week. As a result, the nation's largest black collegiate newspaper has not been able to take the first step towards becoming a daily publication. According to upper-level officials in the HUSA administration, programs generated by the student government have also been hindered by quorums.

We must consider whether we want policy-making institutions which are representative of wide student interest and do not make policy, or policy-making boards that can pass legislation quickly and effectively. Moreover, if quorums were banned, student interest could still be represented. Without a quorum system, voting members may see that decisions will be made without them and may try to take a more active part in making those decisions.

Regardless of the fact that fines, penalties, and repeated notices have failed to encourage the attendance necessary for a quorum, policy-making must continue. After all, government by the few can be better than no government at all.

Saved: Children's Theatre

After much worry and discontent, parents, alumni, and all others with a vested interest in seeing The Children's Theatre continue can rest assured. Administrators have made it clear that the university has no intention of abolishing the theatre. They have noted, however, that changes will have to be made.

The primary fact which many believed would give the university an impetus to close the theatre was the concern over for safety of the children participating in it. The Administration has rightfully noted that having small children face the physical environment in which the theatre has been housed the past few years presents a potentially dangerous situation. Having youths roam Childers Hall quasi-supervised risks a costly lawsuit for the university, and the unthinkable possibility of a life-threatening injury to an aspiring Paul Robeson. A new location for the theatre should be found, as the administration assures it will be, to decrease the university's financial risk and, above all, to insure the safety of the theatre's participants.

Moreover, university officials have assured that improved communication between university and

theatre officials is a priority, as it rightfully should be. The university should have a say in the administrative matters of the theatre. By increasing administrative control, the university could mandate and maintain standards which would insure quality staffing, equipment and facilities. Furthermore, the university could, by providing scholarships and decreasing the theatre's tuition, engage in an effort to recruit more economically disadvantaged youth. This could be made possible by more stringent budgeting of finances and more aggressive marketing of theatre participant's brilliant talent.

No one wants to see the university exploit small children, but the theatre is not fully self-sufficient. The university should find ways to make it pay for itself.

Since information leaked that the theatre could be closed, there has been division in the College of Fine Arts. All animosity between the supporters of The Children's Theatre Group and administrators should end. It appears that at this moment, despite the issue surrounding the decisions of the previous fate of the theatre, everyone is working for the same goal. Such petty divisiveness will do nothing but hinder us.

75 Years of Distinction

From meager beginnings to becoming the Nation's Largest Black Collegiate Newspaper, *The Hilltop* has used the past 67 years to continue the pursuit of journalistic excellence. Although the first issue bears January 22, 1924 on its masthead, students have made the attempt to follow the ideals falling under freedom of the press since 1917 (unofficially).

After becoming a legitimate Howard organization in 1923, it took close to a year for the first issue to appear. Originally a semimonthly publication, time and technology have graced *The Hilltop* with the ability to become a publication that is produced weekly. In 1991 visions of twice a week and daily productions have taken root in the minds of staff members.

Plagued by criticism (as individuals find displeasure with almost any publication), poor equipment, small staffs, and power outages, students from all majors have still taken up the challenge and continued the tradition. The 10 mission statements little known to members of the staff and other students alike, have

caused individuals to go past these difficulties and vie for the position of Editor-in-Chief. Even if unintentional, the campus leaders in journalism still make an attempt to unify the Howard spirit: form and influence student thought; encourage worthy school enterprise; build respect for constituted authority; foster clean sportsmanship; serve as a medium for the expression of student thought; acquaint parents with the progress of the school; promote good scholarship and extra-curricular activities; encourage young men and women to enter the field of journalism; and work constantly for the welfare of the school.

Pushed to closely consider that last mission statement, that might mean working well into the morning to complete an issue. Completion is not synonymous with timely delivery. However, the campus population can appreciate the liberties provided by the fortunate absence of censorship. Once the paper is delivered, there is a reassurance that the production provided has been untouched by the administration. Such a privilege will hopefully be granted through the next 67 years.

Registration & Validation

Each year, Howard University students are faced with completing the truly illusive task of getting their registration cards validated. This year, the university has exerted a great deal of energy to assist students in the registration process. The remaining difficulties, if possible, may be remedied by students.

This semester, Dr. Lawrence Johnson's new system for dealing with the registration process was a considerable success. As previously reported by *The Hilltop*, the new process entails: 1) mailing validated certificates of registration to students who possess the adequate funds for registration in their accounts and mailing registration appointment cards to other students, and 2) placing the entire registration process in one location.

Even though, this year, most students have experienced one of the smoothest registration processes of their careers at this university, there are still some students who have faced difficulties. Much of this apparent difficulty has arisen from a callous attitude toward registration, which causes many students to wait until the last minute to register. The university

goes to considerable lengths to send out registration materials to students weeks in advance, yet students have ignored these notifications and have opted to wait until the eve of registration to prepare their finances and material.

As always, many of the students who are facing registration difficulties this semester are victims of the system. Financial Aid, traditionally the principle cause sighted by students for not completing the registration process, has gotten better. Most students this year are sighting a lack of classes as the reason for the delay in registration. Students argue that their classes were dropped, and now they cannot get into the classes they wanted to take.

Surprisingly, many students could have avoided having their classes dropped. A substantial portion of those students who suffered a cancellation of classes did so because many of their colleagues were taking an extended vacation. Failure to register promptly should not be tolerated. It undermines the registrar's system and puts most of the administrative business behind by a semester. No matter how harsh it may have seemed to drop classes, the university was right.

TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS



We Don't Have A Quorum,
So We Can't Vote,
So Go Home.

HOWARD STYLE

DA BAMA

Letters to the Editor

Corrections to Letter to Bush

Dear Sir:

To begin with, let me convey our deepest appreciation for your organization's decision to publish our open letter to the President of the United States (Jan. 18). With all that has transpired since the letter was composed, it pleases us to be on official record in opposition to a conflict which will inevitably result in a long-term consequence for all mankind.

The purpose of this letter is to bring to your attention a couple of very important mistakes made in the printed copy, which caused us to wonder if our letter was re-typed by the same person (who re-typed President Bush's Letter) and/or recieved the same level of editorial review for accuracy. We hope that your organization will either reprint the full open letter-along with the date that it was composed, 1/12/91, or publish in your next edition the appropriate corrections. They are as follows:

1. In the first paragraph, following the brief summary of our collective concerns, the correction should read "...he equated Islam with communism and nazism."
2. At the end of the fifth paragraph the correction should read "...I do speak for the 80-90 percent of the native Muslim and immigrant populations in the U.S. And thus, those Muslim-American leaders who have articulated their sup-

port..."

3. At the end of the sixth paragraph the correction should read "...the welfare and security of the Muslim masses, and the inviolability of Muslim lands."

I believe that you can agree enough with us that these corrections (specifically 2 and 3) are important enough to merit your attention. We thank you for the time accorded to this request.

M. Saalakahn

Open Letter-Reshaping Howard

Dear Dr. Jenifer,

I ask you to carefully weigh the advantages and disadvantages of closing the Schools of Education and Continuing Education as recommended in the "Investing for Excellence: Strategically Repositioning Howard University to Face the Challenges of the 21st Century" (Jan. 18). If these schools are transferred to the College of Liberal Arts, the graduate research for these fields will be destroyed. In my opinion, the graduate education department is a linchpin for educational research, educational technology, and research in teaching. In order to prepare competent teachers to help students to excel on the SAT and other tests, Howard must have an excellent graduate school of education. It must not rely on other schools of education (such as Columbia Univer-

sity or Harvard University) to decide the mood, beat, or tone of urban education.

In addition Dr. Jenifer, the question, "Will the College of Liberal Arts be equipped, academically, to train professional educators such as presidents, deans of colleges, superintendents of public schools, and other administrators to direct urban schools?," must be considered. The School of Continuing Education should seek to train and update the skills of educational administrators with the use of continuing professional education (C.P.E.) as defined by Craig L. Scanlan... "To update or to expand the proficiency, knowledge, skills, or attitudes necessary to effectively discharge their occupational roles."

When the University was opened on April 22, 1867, a separate department was set up to train teachers. As Dr. Rayford W. Logan confirmed in his book *Howard University 1867-1967*, "The primary object of the Normal Department is to prepare teachers for the colored population." It seems to me the mission of Howard University in 1867 and the mission of Howard in 1991 are the same: to train teachers to educate African-Americans, guided by the sound research of a quality school of education which, with work, Howard University can offer.

Finally, Dr. Jenifer, it has been reported that you want employees to take an early retirement. This is an enigma to me, since many of these employees you want to retire are your age. Shouldn't you reconsider your advice?

Dr. Roland Rier



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COMMENTARY

Is black capitalism the right answer?

During the course of a recent conversation, a friend suggested that the main problem facing black America is the lack of black-owned businesses. He devoutly believed that business could serve as the primary mechanism for our economic and, therefore, political and social upliftment. This belief system is nothing new. Booker T. Washington championed entrepreneurship as the best form of social and economic

sponsible for our oppression provide us with a way out of our oppression?" I think not.

While it is critically necessary for us to have black businesses, we can ill afford to view them as the primary source of our deliverance. The survival of the fittest mentality that lends itself to "American," could be the cause of more destruction in the black community. If we are not careful, we could establish black businesses that assume the traditional role of white capitalists in the oppression and exploitation of the black masses. Our status makes us particularly susceptible to this exploitation.

George Jackson, once the field marshal of the Black Panther Party, brilliantly described our relationship to the American capitalist structure. In his words, "there are four parts in the capitalist cycle: recession, recovery, expansion, and inflation." He then asked, "have black people in America ever experienced an economic recovery or expansion? We have remained in a permanent recession, and when the American economy falls into a recession, we spiral into sub-depression."

Though I have not intended this to be a complete indictment of black capitalism, I have intended it to inspire the Howard business intelligentsia to devise ways to end the exploitation of Black America rather than strive to

Jelani Makalani

legitimization of the black masses long ago. Though this belief has some merit, there are many flaws in the ideology of black capitalism.

Firstly, the nature of American capitalism is a hostile and predatory one. In order to survive, one must find new and innovative ways to maximize profits. This often leads to worker exploitation and imperialist ventures to secure foreign raw materials. This was the driving motive behind the military conquest, colonization and exploitation of the African continent. In fact, the capitalist's greed for cheap labor was the economic impetus for the kidnapping and enslavement of our ancestors. One is left to question, "Can the same system re-



switch places with our traditional oppressors. If we are to endorse black capitalism it must be done in such a manner that it benefit the masses of black people rather than a privileged bourgeois elite. This is the challenge to black businesses and intellectuals. Failure to meet this challenge will result in a race further divided by socioeconomic barriers.

The fact that capitalism benefits from

what has been called a "fluid reservoir of consumers and underemployed" has been effectively argued in both *Black Power*, and *Black Awakening in Capitalist America*. It is capitalism and its ideology cousin, imperialism, that fuels George Bush's aggressive policy toward Iraq. It is likely that thousands of black and Hispanic men and women will die in the middle of a barren desert to protect the investments of Exxon and

AT&T. Once again the American economy seeks to strengthen itself on the backs of black people. Before we blindly endorse black business as our master plan, we must carefully weigh the merits of capitalism so that we do not become the primary exploiters of our own people.

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Stop teacher-racism

Three of us, members of the West Chester (PA) NAACP, drove to Washington, D.C. on Nov. 15 and picketed the National Education Association (NEA) at 1201 16th Street, N.W. for defending teacher-racism. We stood in front of the NEA doorway for three hours with our signs and handouts. Despite advanced notice, *The Washington Post* did not send a reporter.

We believe teacher-racism is a national problem and disgrace that kills off, limits, and stunts the education of

Dr. W.T.M. Johnson

black and minority students; and that the NEA, by not opposing teacher-racism—with actions, and strongly—is a big part of the problem.

We write Howard University students for two reasons: (1) the NEA is in Washington and we are coming back to picket them and we invite you to join us, and (2) young black people who are in college must know about and help lead this fight against this terribly destructive force. Teacher-racism sets the downward course for millions of black and minority children and we all must fight it.

Here is the story. In 1989, a white West Chester (PA) teacher was fired by the school board for copying and passing out a racist hate sheet to some other teachers. Five of the 40 racial insults are shown below:

1. What are the best three years of a Nigger's life? (Second grade.)
2. Why do Niggers smell? (So blind people can hate them too!)
3. What do you call a Nigger with half a brain? (Gifted.)
4. What do you call a Nigger with no brain? (Normal.)
8. How do you get the Nigger out of the tree in Georgia? (Cut the rope.)

We say that—because of this action—he should never teach again in any school.

An arbitrator also found him guilty as charged but—curiously—said his punishment should be only a six month suspension without pay.

Our West Chester community united in protest against Reitmeyer's return to school. The school board voted to appeal to the arbitrator's decision, Borough Council voted to support the action of the school board, and 350 people, black and white, came out and publicly protested his return to teach the children he had insulted.

Only the NEA, and its local and state chapters, continue to call for his return to teaching. Dr. Meade and I presented a Resolution to Censure the NEA for defending teacher-racism to the PA State NAACP president, Charles H. Butler, M.D. The Resolution was approved by a standing, overwhelming vote on October 27, 1990. Note that the NEA had been invited to come to the meeting to defend its position but did not come.

The PA State NAACP Censure asks the NEA to: 1) issue a public statement of regret over the teacher's action, 2) to oppose Reitmeyer's return to teaching—anywhere, and 3) to refuse to pay for the legal defense of any teacher fired for acts of racial or religious bigotry. West Chester teacher Marilee Jones said, "I resent having to pay \$365 a year to defend a man who called me a Nigger."

Teacher-racism is a problem all across America. A black man read our handout when we were picketing the NEA here in Washington and said teachers here "do that all the time." Dr. Meade told him he should work to force such teachers out of teaching.

Some teachers continue to commit racist acts because the NEA defends them. We must stop the NEA from defending teacher-racism. We know that if that hate sheet had been directed against Jewish people that the NEA would not have dared defend him. They know that Jewish people would rise up in a terrible fury of protest. We, black people, must do the same.

In Washington and all across the country we must get black people and fair-minded white people to continue to protest against the NEA until they stop defending teacher-racism.

Parking at HU: An "unbootful" experience

Since returning to school in September, I have had eight tickets, all of which were for parking violations. Each time I got that distressing pink piece of paper, I would yank it from under my windshield wiper, mumble a few profanities under my breath, and then stick it in my glove compartment thinking, "yeah I'll pay it, eventually."

Well, I guess my procrastination

Keith Alexander

was more than the D.C. Department of Motor Vehicles, DMV, could tolerate. Last Wednesday evening, after returning to my apartment from the computer lab with my roommate, I looked over at my car and saw a bright orange appendage vehemently attached to my poor front tire.

I couldn't believe it. I was going to pay those dumb tickets. Well, actually, I was going to appeal a few of them because they weren't my fault. Some of those parking signs around Howard are so ambiguous.

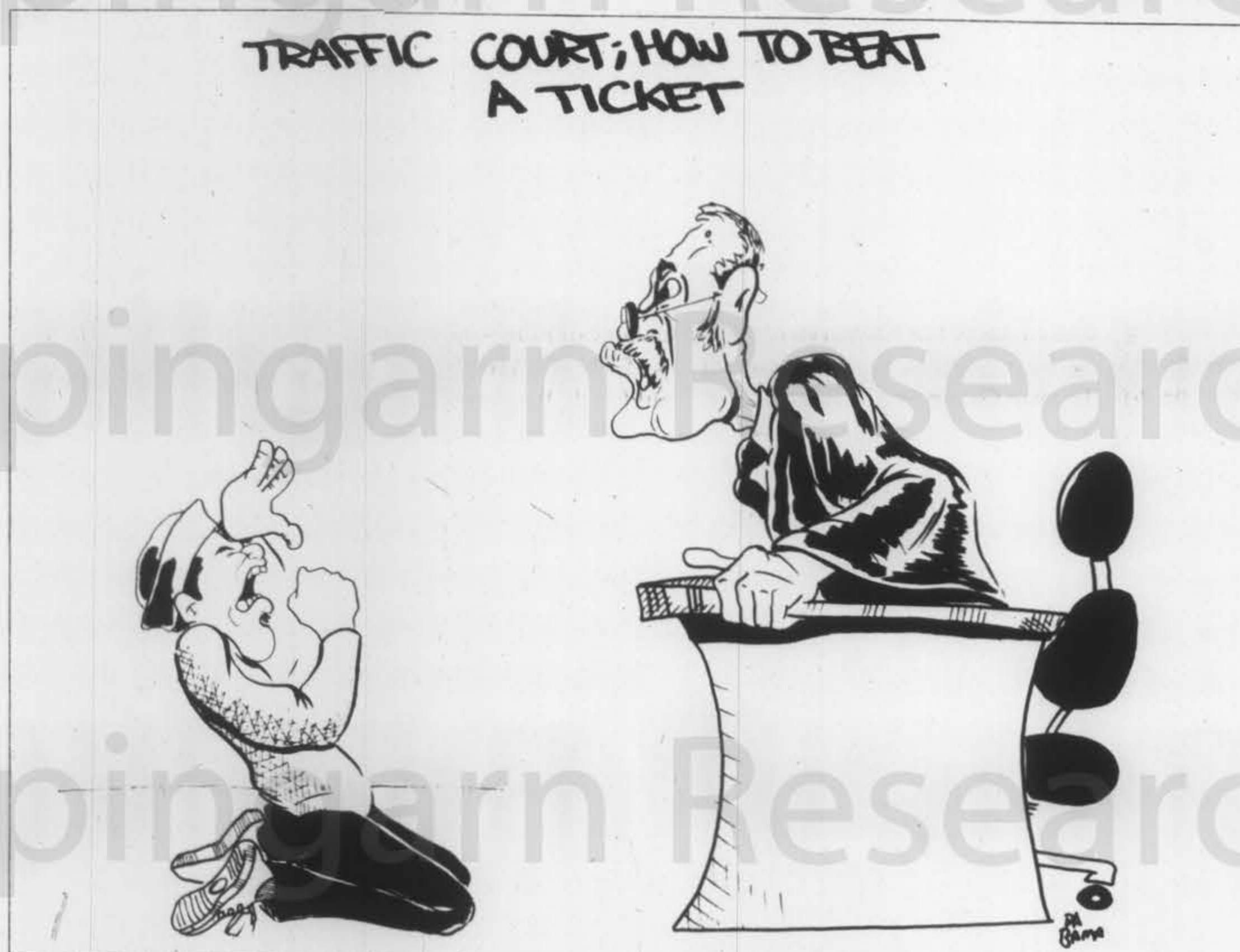
Anyway, I was hurt. Not physically, of course, but emotionally. I

couldn't believe they would put that embarrassing bright orange, iron arm on my baby. And then they had the nerve to put a sign under my windshield wiper that read "Warning: Do Not Move Vehicle." Now, would someone please tell me how I, or anyone for that matter, was supposed to move my vehicle.

So, Friday morning I woke up and drove my roommate's car to the DMV, so I could be one of the first ones in line. I think about 150 other people had the same idea I did. So there I was standing in line with people who ran red lights, drove recklessly through our streets, and drove while under the influence of alcohol. I felt like a criminal.

I went from line to line and from attitude to attitude. I was used to this. After all, I've been at Howard for four years. So there I sat, watching people go in and out of the individual courtrooms; some with the look of victory on their faces, others with the look of defeat.

There I sat rehearsing my story: "Your honor, I'm a poor college student." No that was too pitiful. "Your honor, I attend Howard University where I hope to one day go on to law school like yourself." Lies. My major is journalism and I haven't once thought about



law school.

Then they called my number. It was my turn to go into the room and throw myself on the mercy of the court. There were about eight of us, including the judge, in the little room. Each of us with a different story to tell. "Judge my wife was pregnant. That's why I ran the red light." Boy, I thought, they just used that one in the movies. "Your honor, I just got my driver's license last week, so I'm still a little nervous on the roads." O.K. just let me know when you're out on the streets. Then it was my turn.

I got up, sat in the chair across from the judge and said, "Good morning, my name is Keith Alexander." I was so nervous my baritone voice transformed itself into a weak Michael Jackson. I really don't remember too much after that. All I know is that my \$275 fine was reduced to \$110.

After leaving the courtroom I felt like R. Kenneth Mundy. Maybe I should think about law as a career. I was pretty good in there. I left the building and walked over to my roommate's car with

what I thought was to be the first of many court victories under my belt.

As I approached the car, something seemed familiar. I had a feeling of déjà vu come over me. I walked up to the car and I couldn't believe it.

There was one of those ugly pink things under the windshield wiper again. Parking in D.C. is truly a sick joke.

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"If television's panicky coverage of the war continues..."

As Union soldiers marched across the Virginia countryside in 1861, headed for the first Battle of Bull Run, they were followed by scores of civilians.

These men and women took up positions on hilltops overlooking the battlefield. In the early moments of the fighting, the men waved their hats and the ladies twirled their parasols as Union

troops overran Confederate positions. But as the tide of battle turned—and the grisly scenes of dead and dying unfolded before them—the onlookers quickly lost their stomach for war. Like the Union troops who were routed that day, they, too, broke and ran.

DeWayne Wickham

Since then, most people in this country have left it to the news media to give

them less haunting images of the wars we fight. With our battles reduced to newspaper dispatches or the distant reports of foreign correspondents, people were insulated from the nauseating, and sometimes distorting, realities of war.

But no more. Television has given Americans another ringside seat from which to view the death and destruction of war. The demand now for barf bags will surely rise.

Unlike their more disciplined behavior during the Vietnam War, television networks today seem driven more by the need for audience share, rather than the quest for knowledge, in their coverage of the Persian Gulf conflict.

If television's panicky coverage of this war continues, the peace movement—now a predictable coalition of pacifists and would-be draft dodgers—will expand its ranks. Given a steady dose of

the scenes television is now bringing us out of Saudi Arabia and Israel, most Americans will shortly sue our government for peace.

People in this country are being traumatized by the eerie sounds of air raid alarms that television networks send into our homes just seconds after they are heard in Tel Aviv or Riyadh. And their emotions are being twisted about by a stream of frivolous and speculative reports coming from far too many television reporters in the war zone.

Once a CNN reporter in Tel Aviv offered viewers across the world footage of a burning light streaking across the sky before he made an effort to verify its source.

As though to question the effectiveness of Israel's air defense system, he pointed out that no air raid sirens preceded the object's appearance in the night sky over Tel Aviv.

Later—long after the blood pressure of television viewers was sent soaring—the network reported the object was the burning remnants of a Soviet satellite, not an Iraqi missile.

There's something about television viewers looking on live as journalists, night after night, struggle to don gas masks before dashing off into air raid shelters that can warp a person's notions about victory and defeat.

This war is being fought across a broad expanse of Iraq, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, but television cameras remain bolted to tripods in a few rear staging areas. That media executives, both broadcast and print, allow military authorities to censor their ability to cover freely this conflict ought to evoke great protest from members of the fourth estate.

Instead, it has turned most war correspondents into publicists for Iraqi and

U.S. military officials. Unable even to get onto air bases when strikes are launched against Iraq—and kept away from the forward positions of U.S. ground troops—television journalists have been reduced to fixing their lens skyward in the hapless search for enemy missiles.

That's bad enough. But what's worse is that the networks have, through such static coverage, effectively moved the front lines of this war to the hotels and news bureaus they inhabit, far to the rear of actual combat.

And there, far from all but one of the least effective weapons in Saddam Hussein's arsenal, they inundate television viewers with needlessly frightening reports of their own peril.

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The new executive officers of the Howard University Student Association have yet to be named.

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LOCAL

District celebrates King's dream

By GWEN MCGIL

Hilltop Staff Reporter

Amid the reality of war, many were able to find comfort in the national observance honoring the birth of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., and his message of universal peace.

One main celebration in the District was the city's holiday observance program held at the King Memorial Library, located at 901 G street, in the northwest section in the city.

The Martin Luther King Day parade, was another annual celebration held in southeast Washington along King Avenue.

Those in attendance at city's holiday observance included: Mayor Sharon Pratt Dixon, Shadow Senator Jesse Jackson, and D.C. Council Chairman John A. Wilson.

The parade, which has become an annual festivity for many families, has a special appeal to youngsters because of the participating marching bands and floats.

As thousands of people filled King Avenue, others took time to express their thoughts on the war. And, in the midst of the celebration, many could not cope with the fact that the United Nations Jan. 15 deadline for Saddam Hussein to pull out of Kuwait coincided with King's birthday.



While the holiday brought honor to King, Mayor Dixon, clergy and many elected D.C. officials also urged residents to reflect upon the day and pray for peace.

In addition, Mayor Dixon proclaimed this entire week as Martin Luther King Jr. week, in hope that activities could continue to take place in remembrance

of a great man.

According to Mayor Dixon, coverage of the federal holiday was as best as could be expected, considering the war situation.

Despite the circumstances of war shadowing Dr. King's birthday, he was still remembered, but for some, not enough.

Monique LeNoir a senior public relations major said, "They (the media) showed it, but every time it was mentioned, it was related back to the war. I don't think the events

were publicized enough. If I had known about some of them I would have gone. The coverage could have been a lot better."

Doubled security at Kennedy Center, District building

By TRACEY CARR

Hilltop Staff Reporter

The Kennedy Center, a cultural affairs building, was forced to use dogs and additional security when it received a bomb threat last week. Because of the recent war in the Persian Gulf, it, like many other Washington area buildings, are being forced to increase security.

The Capitol and the District Building, which are thought by many to be potential terrorist targets, have also increased its security during recent weeks.

Fortunately, the scare at the Kennedy Center, located at 2700 F Street, N.W., did not interrupt any performances, according to Laura Longley, director of public affairs at the Kennedy Center.

"To secure the building, within the hour police officials added security to main public hallways and assigned officers to the building's entrance," Longley said.

Longley added that additional officers are now located at main theater entrances. "We are taking everything very seriously because we are constantly dealing with the public, and we want to be responsible."

"The phone call was made to the local police department and then transferred to our park police. We handled it just as we would any other type of threat," Longley said.

The Capitol is another one of many governmental buildings in the District to "beef up" its security, because of it possibly being a target, according to Jeff Briggs, spokesman for Thomas Foley, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

To ensure the safety of those occupying the building, congressional security officers have installed metal detectors. In addition, large cement flower pots and barriers made of steel have been placed at the entrance of the building.

Additional possible changes include: replacing the asphalt parking lot on the East Front with a granite plaza, fencing the entire area surrounding the Capitol and building a visitors' center below the Capitol grounds.

While some believe the implementation of additional security measures are not enough, others say the \$13 million plan to secure the building should be used to support programs in the District.

"Too much money is being spent to secure Washington buildings," said

Janice Johnson, a sophomore English major at Howard, who also works at the Capitol. "Don't get me wrong, additional security is necessary, but the government should monitor how much money is being spent."

Extreme precautionary measures have been taken at the District building, located at 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. These measures were proposed to ensure the safety of the workers within the building.

"We have additional security at the entrances, and a full inspection of all hand-held items," said Natalyn Andrews, special assistant of communications at the District Building.

Brief cases, purses, as well as other items, are up for inspection, Andrews said.

"The nature of terrorism can be chemical, biological, or a bomb," said Andrews. Different types of terrorism call for specific methods to prevent terrorist activity. "It is difficult to say whether there has been any direct danger so far."

According to Andrews, many citizens frequently call the District Building inquiring about safety. "Of course, we do have limitations and cannot share all the details, but the District Building is giving special attention to safety and health."

"We do not know whether such methods will be effective, but we have to ensure public safety," said Andrews.

Local airports pose another target for potential terrorists in the nation's capital. Prior to the United Nation's deadline date of Jan. 15, Pan American World Airlines conducted a survey of all its Atlantic Region Stations, according to Pamela Hanlon, managing director for corporate communications at Pan Am. Hanlon said the discussion consisted of enhancing security measures for both passengers and cargo.

Recent changes include the development of more rigid Federal Aviation Association requirements, according to Hanlon.

"Everyone here is in full compliance with security, and also understands the need for the heightened security," said Hanlon.

Although many specific details of security cannot be revealed, according to Hanlon, all passengers and staff members at Pan Am are cooperating with the new restrictions.

Iesha C. Matthews contributed to this story.

Virginia Slims to sponsor major tennis tournament at national park

BY IESHA C. MATTHEWS

Hilltop Staff Reporter

Action on Smoking and Health (ASH), an anti-smoking organization, is protesting the plans of Rock Creek Park to host the Virginia Slims tennis tournament in August.

Protestors are vehemently fighting to prevent the national park from hosting the event because of its affiliation with the tobacco company.

"At a time when we are engaged in a war on drugs, the federal government should not be hosting an event designed to help promote one of the most addictive drugs, and one in which increases more than one hundredfold the use of illicit drugs by our nation's children," said ASH.

ASH confirmed that the private corporation was told that their proposed schedule of events - including the Virginia Slims Tournament - had been tentatively approved, apparently without any discussion of concerns about tobacco industry sponsorship, and that drafts of the permits would be distributed to them in the near future.

Some of the events that are scheduled for this year at Rock Creek Park are: a circus, professional athletic games and other sporting events.

"The national park represents a clean environment that should be protected," said Dr. Ronald Davis, director of the Office of Smoking and Health at the U.S. Health and Human Services. Cigarette smoking represents the most important source of indoor pollution, he added.

Protestors say they oppose the use of national parks by businesses that are affiliated with polluting the environment. They also believe the beauty of the park must be maintained and not used to promote cigarettes, which has been linked to cancer as well as other deadly diseases, according to the Surgeon General.

"Their tour is to be held on national park land. It is even more unfortunate that this will happen in our back yard," Davis said.

Interior Secretary Manuel Luga, Jr., believes it is not too late for officials to disapprove public sponsorship of an event in a national park which is part of a promotional effort by a cigarette company. He also insists the tournament be conducted in the name of a

different corporate subsidiary, e.g., Kraft Foods.

To prevent the tournament from occurring, ASH is encouraging individuals and other organizations to voice their opinion to Secretary Lujan and to ask for a contract cancellation.

Last year, Health and Human Services Secretary Louis L. Sullivan, spoke out strongly when George Washington University was to host a Virginia Slims tournament. Secretary Sullivan also attacked all tobacco company sponsorship of professional sporting events.

ASH, was started by John Banzhaf, a professor at George Washington University. The organization's \$1 million annual budget and its 70,000 contributors is responsible for ASH's staff of 10 individuals.

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good academic standing and full-time students who will not graduate before their term is over. Undergraduate trustee candidates must be in at least the second consecutive year of enrollment at Howard with a minimal grade point average of 2.5. Graduate trustee candidates must be enrolled continuously in a graduate/professional school or college since at least the start of the current school year, in addition to good academic standing.

All of those who are eligible will be notified during a meeting on Feb. 4.

"If you're eligible, campaigning begins right after that meeting," Jones said.

Elections are to be held on Feb. 27 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. All schools and colleges should also hold their elections at this time, according to Maleika S. Mosley, local elections coordinator.

She is currently waiting for 16 of the 18 schools and colleges to respond. "It's probably coming up on them faster than they thought," Jones said, but added that she will be "persistent" until she has received all of the information.

Letters were sent to each of the elections representatives from the stu-

dent councils, according to Mosley, asking for the names of candidates. With two responses as of Wednesday, she added that she will check to make sure that all of the names of those eligible to run are submitted by February 14. They will then be included on the ballots for elections at the same time with those of the General Assembly.

Those who do not follow the deadlines will be forced to hold their own elections, despite such non-compliance with the constitution, according to Mosley.

"All of those who comply will be afforded their rights," she said.

In his first year of working with the elections, Associate Director of Student Activities Daanen Strachan referred to the printed "General Assembly Election Guidelines" as "basically the answers to all the questions the students might have."

In an attempt to correct any problems from last year, a questionnaire will be distributed during the speakouts. Jones said the questions will deal with not only why students vote, but also what issues should be covered.

Despite announcements, students still have complaints about the absence of notification.

"It would be nice to get some idea of who's running and what topics will be covered," said Sophomore English major Traci Anderson.

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INTERNATIONAL

Students continue to march against war

By JENNIFER LISA VEST

Hilltop Staff Reporter

Between 50,000 and 100,000 people showed up Saturday, Jan. 19th for the largest anti-war demonstration to date since the deployment of troops in the Middle East in August of 1990. The march and demonstration, which occurred simultaneously in San Francisco where 100,000 demonstrators gathered, was organized by the Coalition to Stop U.S. Intervention in the Middle East.

Marchers represented a variety of age groups, races, organizations and regions including Mothers for Peace, Vietnam veterans, Korean, Filipino, and Latino organizations, Black Muslims and AIDS activists. Gay and lesbian activists, and representatives from reproductive rights organizations and labor were also visible. Regional delegations from New York, New Jersey and Boston carried banners in the march.

Among the blacks participating in the march and rally were religious leaders and politicians as well as students from D.C. area high schools and universities. Blacks from the All People's Congress and the All-African People's Revolutionary Party spoke at the rally. At the head of the march was a large black contingent organized by the Afro-American Coalition Against U.S. Intervention in the Middle East.

The most impressive of these gatherings of black Americans were those from Hampton University in Virginia and from Manhattan's SUNY colleges. Neither of these groups carried banners indicating their organizational or school names. When asked why they had no

banners, one Hampton organizer responded that it was not important that they were from Hampton, or even that they were students. What is important is that "we are black and we are here," he said.

A small contingent of Howard students marched in solidarity with the Hampton students. Organizers from both schools forged the necessary alliances at the conclusion of the march to coordinate future plans for a conference of black colleges organized against the war.

In comparison to another smaller anti-war march which took place in New York City on Tuesday, in which half of the participants were black and Latino, there was a noticeable dearth of black participants in Saturday's march.

Few of the 2000 Howard students and other members of the black community who came out to last Tuesday's march and rally in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King were in attendance at Saturday's demonstration, also in honor of Dr. King.

When asked why black people in general and black students in particular did not come out in larger numbers to protest, John Brown, a Howard student and anti-war organizer, commented on the historical exploitation of black movements by white organizers. Citing the numerous instances in U.S. history when blacks have rallied and marched, Brown mentioned a sentiment of disillusionment among blacks.

"A lot of blacks are sick and tired of protests and marches - they don't see any immediate change," he said.

Asked why she participated in the demonstration Saturday, one Howard



photo by James Bolden

Protestors carried a massive caricature of George Bush

student, Mani P., replied, "As a foreign Third World student, it is vital for me to express my disagreement with the military intervention of the United States. Because the invasion of Kuwait is not unlike other U.S. interventions which have occurred, namely in Grenada and Panama, I realize that the same thing could happen to any Third World country whose resources the United States desires."

"As a Howard student, I strongly oppose the deployment of a disproportionate number of African-American and

Latino citizens in the Gulf. In his speech, Martin Luther King so eloquently breaks it down when he says that the only place in which his people are regarded as full citizens is the Armed Forces," she said.

Anti-war activities continue this weekend with another national demonstration on Saturday beginning at the U.S. Capitol and a national student conference at the University of the District of Columbia on Sunday morning.

Howard students are involved in organizing both events.

Gulf war debated at King forum

By SHAHID MUSTAFA

Hilltop Staff Reporter

The glaring inconsistencies in U.S. foreign policy dominated Monday's program sponsored by the department of political science entitled "The War in the Middle East: African-American Responses." The program, which was broadcast nationally on C-SPAN, was held in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The panel for the program, which was organized and moderated by Dr. Ronald Walters, chairman of the department of political science, featured Rev. Jesse Jackson, Shadow Senator from the District of Columbia; Damu Smith, of the National African-American Network Against U.S. Intervention in the Persian Gulf; Ambassador McCarthy, Howard's Ambassador-in-Residence; Ferris Bouhafa of the Arab-American Institute; and D. Malcolm Carson, National and International Editor of The Hilltop.

For the first hour, the speakers made individual presentations, and then the meeting was opened for questions from the press and others in the audience. The issues were so hotly debated that many were unable to have the opportunity to have their questions addressed.

Before a "standing room only" audience of journalists, students, and community residents, Jesse Jackson pointed out the contradiction of the United States government imposing a Jan. 15 deadline for the war against Iraq, but not setting any such deadline for the abolition of apartheid in South

Africa. As Ambassador McCarthy attempted to respond, a debate between the two broke out as each countered the other's arguments.

Jackson urged negotiation over confrontation as a means to resolve the crisis. He called for the U.S. government to "stop the bombing."

Damu Smith also pointed out such contradictions.

"Why has the United States not mobilized the Arab states against the aggression of Israel and its occupation of Lebanon and the West Bank?" Smith said.

When asked to give an example of the United States' inconsistency in foreign policy, Smith responded.

"South African illegally occupied Namibia for 21 years in defiance of U.N. resolutions. On a number of occasions the United States was asked for support. When the U.N. called for sanctions, the United States vetoed sanctions," Smith said.

"South Africa has illegally occupied Angola, and again the United States has never taken action against them. Instead, they provide aid to the South Africa-backed UNITA rebels," Smith continued.

Bouhafa expressed his outrage at the recent FBI investigations of all Americans of Arab descent for possible terrorist ties. He regarded such investigations as an infringement of his rights.

With the success of the program and the demonstration of considerable interest in the subject, Dr. Walters already plans for another similar session in the spring.

Aristide sails to victory in Haitian elections

Duvalierists seeking to bring back the old order launch failed coup

By SERGE HYACINTHE

Hilltop Staff Reporter

Haiti, best noted for its political instability and infamous leaders such as Papa and Baby Doc Duvalier, has once again become the focus of world attention. This time the interest in Haiti was spurred by the announcement of democratic elections held on Dec. 16 of last year. The government of Madame Ertha Pascal Trouillot had promised to hold elections and had worked toward that goal.

An electoral council of civilians was formed to organize the elections in accordance to the constitution. Twenty-three candidates announced their candidacies and among them were several notable Duvalierists such as Dr. Roger Lafontant. These Duvalierists announced their candidacies despite the fact that the Haitian constitution bans any Duvalierist from participating in Haitian politics for a certain period of time.

In accordance with the constitution, some of the candidates, including Dr. Lafontant, were disqualified from participating in the elections. Many of the Duvalierists expressed outrage over this, and some even vowed to disrupt the election process. In fact, one of the foremost Duvalierists, Serge Beaulieu, said, "if the Haitian people want peace, we'll make peace; if they want war, we will crush them."

A period of intimidation followed throughout the country to discourage people from participating in the elections. Members of the paramilitary Duvalierist unit, the Tonton Macoutes, even appeared on national television to threaten the people. Faced with the Duvalierist threat and the inability of the grass root organizations to offer a strong candidate, the Haitian people were left to play the politics of the lesser of two evils. The choice was to risk the return of a Duvalier-type government or to vote for the conservative Marc Bazin.

Without any real opposition, Marc Bazin, a former World Bank official and the U.S.-backed candidate, was the leading contender. He was often surrounded by members of the U.S. embassy in Haiti and offered a very pro-U.S. platform.

Bazin's main priorities were not to seek justice but to form what some called a reconciliatory government. There were



Rev. Sean Bertrand Aristide has emerged as a hero to the masses of the Haitian people.

suspicions about his relation to the Duvalierists. Rumor had it that the U.S. had helped the reemergence of the Duvalierists to create a climate that would guarantee the success of Bazin.

It seemed like this tactic was working until Oct. 18, 1990, when just two months before the elections, a coalition of grass roots organizations entitled the National Front for Democracy and Change (F.N.C.D.) nominated the Rev. Sean Bertrand Aristide, as their candidate.

Immediately following that announcement an unprecedented amount of enthusiasm was unleashed by the Haitian people. It was reported that an overwhelming amount of people went out and registered to vote.

Unlike Bazin, the people had no doubt about Aristide's allegiance and priorities. Through his experiences, the people were confident that he had their interests in mind and not those of big U.S. corporations or the Duvalierists.

Aristide is a nationalist and a liberation theologian. He has often dedicated moments in his sermons to call for a change in Haitian government, an end to corruption, and respect for human rights. As a result of his strident and anti-Duvalierist stance, more than five attempts have been made on his life.

Aristide named his campaign "Operation Lavalas," which he explained to mean a flood that surged throughout the country and uprooted all ugly things, i.e. injustice, favoritism, disrespect for human rights and all Duvalierist ways. His supporters transcended all socio-economic classes, including the upper class, the bourgeoisie and the lower class.

As was expected, on Dec. 16, 1990, Aristide won by a landslide in which he gained seventy percent of the votes, winning in all categories. Thousands of people went out to the streets to rejoice the victory of Aristide as Haiti's new hope for democracy. The Haitian diaspora, which played a major role in the campaign via donations, also celebrated. The total diasporan contribution is not known, but Mr. Gerald Merosier, treasurer for the campaign's New York operations, said elections in that city alone accounted for 30 percent of Aristide's campaign funds.

While the people rejoiced the victory of Aristide, the Duvalierists increased their threats. This time they vowed not to respect the recent democratic elections. Among some of the Duvalierists who echoed these threats were Dr. Roger Lafontant.

On Jan. 6, Mr. Lafontant manifested his threats in a coup attempt. Very well

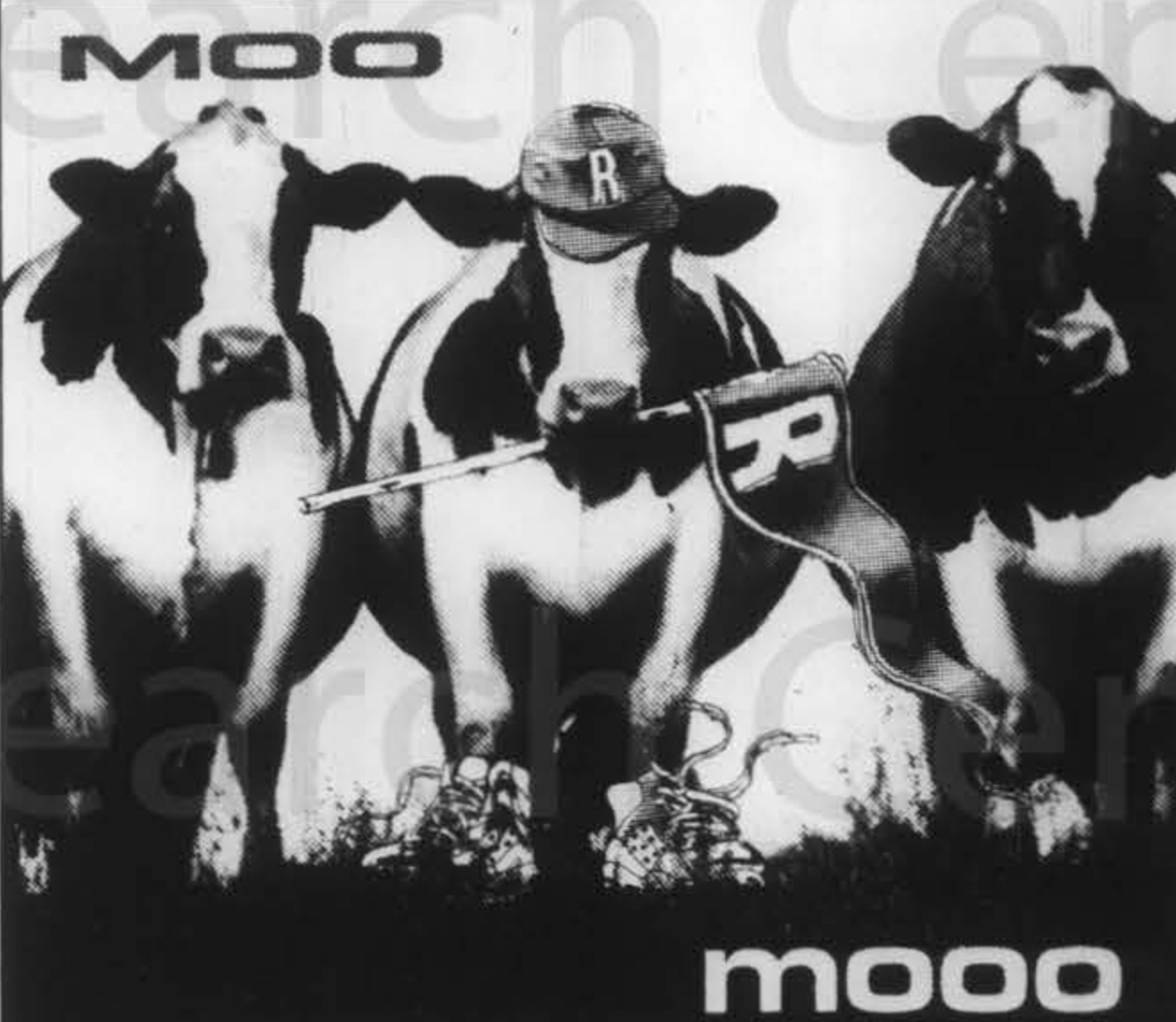
armed, along with twelve of his colleagues, Dr. Lafontant forced his way into the presidential palace. He held the provisional president Ertha Pascal Trouillot hostage and proclaimed himself the new provisional president. He appeared on national television at approximately 2:30 A.M. to announce his coup d'etat and his nullification of the election.

A half an hour later, thousands of people surged into the streets of Port-au-Prince, the capital, and other cities of the country to denounce the latest attempt to oppress the will of the people. The Haitians seized this opportunity to uproot all individuals who had ties with Duvalier's regime. Throughout the country, barricades were set up to prevent an escape attempt of the Duvalierists. In the meantime, their properties were destroyed and set on fire. The Haitian diaspora also echoed their discontent by marching, by the thousands, in New York, Miami, Washington and other cities.

Faced with a violent crowd willing to destroy, kill and be killed to support their election, the Haitian army chose to side with the people and arrested Dr. Lafontant and his cronies.

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Ultimately, the bookstore wants to add the feature of debit card. This Howard University card will be used throughout campus to pay for books and other fees, instead of having students carry large sums of money in their pocket.

Despite its effort to improve the purchasing process, the bookstore has the problem of under-stocked bookshelves. This problem stems from school and college departments and individual professors who are slow in completing adoption forms. An adoption form is a list of textbooks requested by departments or professors.

According to Jaime Negron, the director of the University Bookstore, the bookstore sponsored a Faculty Day activity where departments were offered a 20 to 10 percent discount incentive to

submit adoption forms on time. In addition to Faculty Day, the Bookstore mailed 200 individual invitations to professors to inform them of the discount. However, "Five teachers took advantage of the discount," said Alexander.

The publishing company also contributes to the problem of under-stocking books. Often the company creates another edition of a particular book which may take time to complete, or the company starts shipping the textbooks a week before classes begin.

The situation of professors and departments submitting early or late adoption forms explains how much students receive when they return used books. If the adoption forms are returned on time, the student will receive half of what he initially paid for the book. However if the adoption form is submitted late, the student will receive a fourth of what he paid for the book. "We had a pretty good buy back of used books," said Alexander, "we can buy

back more books if we get adoption forms on time."

Another problem facing the bookstore is the pricing of books. Each semester, students try to avoid purchasing books from the bookstore by either buying from peers or from other discounted bookstores. Often the publisher has already pre-priced the book before making its delivery. According to the bookstore pricing policy, which is inserted in each complimentary term planner distributed by the bookstore, "Those books that are not pre-priced by the publishers are marked by the bookstore in accordance with their mark-up policies."

The University Bookstore realizes the importance of the students and wishes to brighten its reputation with students. As a token of its appreciation, the bookstore sponsored last semester's Campusfest. Another Campusfest is planned for the fall semester as well. According to Negron, "We want to build our image and communications with students."

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formed last year by Howard University students Don Doggett, Terry Harrig and Jeff Johnson.

The officers of the organization are: President, Don Doggett, a junior elementary education major; Vice-president, Tonya Barnes, a junior engineering major; Secretary, Alison Carney, a sophomore engineering major; Secretary, Carol Crawford, a junior elementary education major; Treasurer, Terry Harrig, a junior accounting major; and Executive Chairperson, Jeff Johnson, a senior physical therapy and exercise physiology double major.

Initially the group was formed as a business to raise money through sport events. However, Doggett said when they learned of sickle cell anemia patient, JoAnn Johnson, they decided to donate the proceeds of their first sport event to

her fund. Doggett said the fund raising basketball game raised \$3000.

With the assistance of the Dean of Student Life and Activities, Raymond W. Archer III, the Associate Dean of Liberal Arts, Dr. Alvin Thornton and the Office of Alumni Affairs, the group outlined its ultimate purpose as one to establish closer ties among students and alumni which would encourage both to contribute to the university.

The Pre-Alumni Association has already assisted with registration. Next fall they plan to help orientate incoming freshmen. This semester the group will have a spring formal, a dinner accompanied with jazz and a Kente Cloth sale for 1991 graduates.

Any student with thirty credit hours and in good academic standing can become a member. Students will pay dues which will increase yearly according to their classification. For example, freshmen pay one dollar and one additional dollar is added each year.

Doggett hopes funds will reach \$200,000 in four years. The money will be used to finance activities and to also establish a student relief fund for members.

Future activities for the Pre-Alumni Association include: using their funds to increase lighting on campus, starting discount cards for students at Black-owned businesses, an alumni lecture series and a series of crime prevention lectures.

"Hopefully through the scheduled events and programs that we are sponsoring we will be able to change the soured experiences and the accompanied attitudes that students receive through financial aid, registration and other daily campus life," Doggett said.

Tentative meetings for the Pre-Alumni Association are every Wednesday in the Blackburn Center, room 142 at 5:15 p.m. For more information contact Don Doggett at (202) 797-1269 or the Office of the Dean of Student Life and Activities in the Blackburn Center room 117.

BUSINESS PESTS

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sory General Business and Industry specialist from the United States Small Business Administration., Conrad will be an administrator for the new program. He is on loan for one year to help establish the institute.

"I'm very impressed with the kinds of things they are doing. [It's very important] to try and change a student's mindset from getting a good education and a job to getting a good education and owning your own business."

The institute seems to be attracting rave reviews by others outside the School of Business. In addition to the positive response by some informed students, Dr. Joyce Ladner, Vice President of Academic Affairs, also believes the institute to be a good idea.

"Although I don't know the ends and outs of the program," Ladner said, "it sounds like [something] our students should be involved in...the kind of program students should be exposed to."

The opening date for the institute is tentative, but Flake believes that by September she should be "well on my way to get enough money for the research and development of the center so we can have the best."

With respect to the curriculum, approval processes are expected to be completed in 1992.

Currently, student volunteers are needed to work at the SBDC.

"Students are needed to work," Flake said, "and as soon as money begins to come in, we will eventually begin to pay workers. The help of the student volunteers will not be forgotten."

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perature decreases with the changing seasons, the roach population is considerably decreased because many roaches are unable to find indoor shelter before they die.

Most frustrating to those specializing in the extermination of roaches is the uncanny ability to survive—to adapt to the ever-changing chemicals designed to destroy them. According to Eicher, there is no particular chemical that is used in extermination.

"There are a variety of chemicals that are used [in extermination]. Areas are inspected and treated accordingly," said Eicher.

Many areas in dormitories have been identified as problem areas. For example, janitor's closets and hallways. These areas are treated weekly by Steritech. Room extermination is conducted during the winter break upon the request of the occupant.

"We do the actual rooms on a request basis. We try to minimize the use of pesticides," said Eicher.

Though roaches seem to be the most frequent complaint, many have still reported seeing mice and even rats inside campus dormitories. Like the roaches, many larger rodents seek the shelter and warmth that a dormitory can provide during the cold winter months.

"We do get some complaints about mice, but not a whole lot," Eicher said.

Despite the efforts of Steritech and the continued assurances of administrators, students still find high concentra-

tions of roaches and other rodents bothersome.

"We sprayed them [roaches] with Lysol. Every time we sprayed, more came running out. We've put Combat down, but they are still there," said Kim Foote, freshman psychology major and resident of the Harriet Tubman Quadrangle.

This problem seems to have affected all dormitories and most residents are in agreement that regardless of what is being done, re-assessments must be made if the problem is to be corrected.

"My room is right beside the garbage. The roaches just keep coming. I don't think that they are taking proper steps for extermination," said Jason Barret, junior business major and resident of Sutton Plaza.

Eicher explains that the fight to exterminate roaches is a constant battle because of their ability to adapt quickly to a changing environment. Environmentalists and entomologists (scientists who study insects) contend that the extermination of roaches is a futile task and argue that they were here long before man and will undoubtedly outlive virtually all higher life forms on the planet.

Steritech officials urge students to take preventative steps to help manage the problem of roaches and other rodents. Eicher suggests regular dusting and vacuuming, disinfectant, and regular removal of trash and food.

The Office of Residence Life contends that the problem is still being dealt with and ask that all students who still find themselves plagued by roaches, ants, mice or rats request extermination with their respective dorm counselor.

a part of the Howard University community.

Brown stressed that if students don't look out for each other, the program will fall short of its goal because criminals single out individuals. They very seldom attack a person when they are in a group, but wait until they are vulnerable.

Brown also plans to take attendance at the workshops, so that students who come into his office after being robbed or assaulted could not say that they were not advised on what they could do to help themselves. "Too often people say that security is not responsive to their needs. Security never informs them on the dangerous areas, nor does security inform them of techniques they can use to minimize the risk of traveling to and from and operating in the Howard community," Brown said.

Brown mentioned that Afrocentric views are important, but what is more important than wearing the symbol on the outside is the application of the principle. In African societies, it is important to wear the garments, have the paraphernalia, and speak the lingo. But, he said it is more important how the African society relate to their personal society and relate to themselves as a part of a greater collective body who have individual responsibility to the community as well as collective responsibility to the community.

"Students not only need to be concerned about the war in Iraq but they need to be concerned about the war in their own community. Because this is the situation that is directly affecting them on an everyday basis. And there are things that we can so to make the situation safer here," he said.

Patrice Grant, a junior political science major, hopes that the crime pre-

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Annual Fund receives an annual contribution of \$6.3 million, representing contributions from approximately 25 percent of the total alumni association membership.

"Annual alumni contributions of 25 to 30 percent are considered extremely successful, even though it should not be too much to ask for 100 percent participation," said Kate Riahi, Assistant Director of the Georgetown University Annual Fund.

"If alumni are so proud of their institutions, I don't think it's too much to ask them to put their money where their mouths are," she added.

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would be able to rebound against them," said Finney. "They did not block out, and we got some."

After a Mason layup, Davis made one of two three throws after a Howard foul giving the Rattlers an 86-82 lead with 22 seconds to go, then Mason got the full court layup, then the Bison called a timeout after the score was 86-84 with 14 seconds left.

The Rattlers, playing their third game in five days fought, scraped, and clawed their way back into the game after losing their 41-40 halftime lead. The win gave FAMU head coach Willie Booker his 100 career win.

"I didn't know that it was my 100 victory, I just wanted to get a victory on the road trip period," said Booker.

Howard enjoyed their biggest lead of the game at 59-48 with 14:18 to play after a three point basket by guard Milan

Turner Administration; in conjunction with Van Johnson, Joyel Jason, Ivan Bates and the Crime Watch Program.

Grant is looking forward to implementing a motor system which will entail the transporting of students through a van system.

When asked if April Silver, HUSA president, had taken any actions in helping him to implement the crime prevention plan, Brown said he had spoken to her repeatedly and that he has gotten some response to his crime prevention plan but not enough.

"Their focus at this point is not on campus crime security, or in my opinion, the issue that is most pressing and most important at this time. They have not put enough emphasis on crime prevention as far as their administration," Brown said.

"Without the students we are nothing, so the student government should take a stronger stand on improving the security situation," Brown added.

Another program, which Brown expects a great deal of participation in is the escort and monitor program. This escort program will assist security with walking and transporting students and or faculty to Howard facilities. Although the escort program has been going on for fifteen years, it has gone through a period of dormancy between the late 70's and early 80's. The program was re-implemented in 1987 under the offices of the Garfield Swaby/Rob

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fight, it's the white man's battle. The Afro-American community can prevent being used as pawns by creating jobs for themselves. The U.S. needs to respect the fact that oil is one commodity they will have to buy from others, not sell to others."

R.O.T.C. Army cadet Althonder Thompson feels that "we cannot undo the loss of life. Sanctions needed more time to work and we should have held the blockade. The U.S. cannot have one policy for one country and another for the other. Americans need to take back their government; we cannot have these policies. A new world should include new world policies."

Senior accounting major Roderick Jefferson feels that "Bush doesn't want to look powerless in the eyes of Arabs. Black brothers and sisters are dying for Bush's egotism."

Kondria Black, a sophomore majoring in marketing is a military child. Her father is a non-commissioned officer on active-duty in the Army.

At age 44 and 27 years of military service, Black's father is stationed in the Headquarters Signal Battalion in Saudi Arabia.

Growing up as a military child, Black was used to her father leaving on tours, and she believed this back in August when her father received orders to leave for Saudi Arabia.

Her mother, younger 11 year-old brother and Black kept in touch with the father through letters. One of her fondest memories during August was her father writing and saying that "every time you blink you need to drink some more water," because the desert was reaching temperatures over 100 degrees.

Yet, as the tension of war built in the states, Black looked to the Baker-Aziz talks to bring peace to the situation. During the holidays, the family was occupied with friends, yet they still took down Christmas decorations two days after to avoid feeling depressed.

"I began to discover who my real friends were," said Black. "I was doing more to keep them up than they could do for me. My family is deeply religious, it is the backbone of our family."

When the U.S. initiated the first attack against Iraq, Black was in her room doing homework and only found out after a friend called and told her to turn on the television.

"There were some tears; if I kept the television on I would be a vegetable. I had been praying all along but during the first few days of war it was hard to concentrate in class. Society doesn't allow you to be miserable, life doesn't stop."

Black too identified with the Afro-American community's perspective on their role in the war. "Due to limited opportunities, often times this is the only way out for blacks. Yes, this is a job and people knew what could happen, but I want all my brothers and sisters home too. Human potential is at stake."

Black firmly believes her father is coming home, but she feels her gravest lesson in her crisis is that she understands "how fragile life is and why it's important to live every day to the fullest."

Newly appointed R.O.T.C. Air Force Colonel Robert E. Tafares feels that the rate of incoming R.O.T.C. students from high school will increase because of "the positive images portrayed of soldiers" during the first stages of war in the Persian Gulf. Colonel Tafares also feels that many R.O.T.C. students at Howard are not under stress because "a lot of them come from military parents."

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students on how to prevent and identify situations that are potentially dangerous to them. The Crime Prevention Unit has scheduled several upcoming seminars including a self-defense class and seminar for the residence halls which will be held on Sundays and Tuesdays from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. starting January 28th.

Registration for students wishing to be escorts or monitors will be an ongoing process that will begin next week. Students can register at the Security Division. There is no charge for the class, but there is a small fee for the equipment that will be needed for the use of the class.

On January 29th, a Metropolitan Police Department and community meeting will be held to discuss crime-related activities that are committed on the Howard campus community. All students, faculty, and administrations are urged to attend. On February 13th from noon to 2:00 p.m., a Non-Lethal Form of Self-Defense program will be held. This program will be accompanied by the Amani Rifle & Pistol Club. Various corporations will be invited to talk to students about how to utilize and purchase non-lethal forms of self-defense chemicals such as mace and noise makers.

In revamping the crime prevention program, Brown is attempting to build upon the foundation started by Lt. Coyal Jason, who had previously run the program. Brown said because he is also a student, he believes he will be very effective when interacting with others on campus.

Brown said there are two groups of people on Howard's campus. One group consists of the students who attend Howard and are put into a social situation that they are unprepared to deal

with, due to their social and economic backgrounds.

The second group is one Brown refers to as students who believe they know what to watch out for because they are accustomed to a high crime area or a rough neighborhood. But Brown says that this sometimes gives them a cavalier or cocky attitude which can work against them.

"Because this is not their natural environment and they are not familiar with the environment or indigenous people, they can fall victim to certain situations," he said.

Gayatachew Dorsainville, a junior computer based information system major, believed the program would be a success once it got off the ground.

"Once the program gets started, it should do very well in that it will put something in peoples minds to take a stand and do something [about crime]," she said. Dorsainville believes freshmen are the most vulnerable victims because they come to Howard unaware of the crime factors.

Brown also has plans to implement a Project identification. This project will allow students to identify their property if it is stolen. The Crime Prevention Division will go around to residence halls and dorms and engrave articles with the student's social security number, student identification number, and name. This will be at no additional cost to the students.

Brown also stated that the programs will help students report crime related activities that they may observe. Brown said, "the programs will be a way of getting students to care and be concerned about each other. There is no such thing as I am an individual at Howard University. By the fact that you are associated with Howard University that makes you

SPECIAL REPORT - SEX ON CAMPUS

Courtship in the 1990's

Howard men and women speakout on the difficulties of finding that special someone to spend time with

By Desiree Robinson

Hilltop Staff Reporter

In the past, the story was boy meets girl, girl meets boy, and the rest was left up to the hormones and the central nervous system.

However, on Howard's campus, the plot thickens to greater concerns such as compatibility, superficiality, and availability.

Juniors Tracey Vaughn, a chemistry major from Alabama, and Rory Verrett, an English major from Louisiana, have been dating for over a year and both agree that finding that "special someone" is not an easy task.

"Howard University has its share of beautiful women and it seems very difficult to find someone with the complete package," Verrett said.

"People are so concerned with the superficialities in life that they miss the boat on what it means to be a successful and spiritual African-American, which is a more important quality to look for in a mate," he added.

Vaughn contends that females on campus have a harder job finding a mate because of the imbalanced ratio between Howard's men and women; which has at times been as unbalanced as 7-1.

"There are many more women than men at Howard, and even fewer men who are intellectual, spiritual, and

successful," she said, "Because there are such fewer choices, it leaves fewer prospective males for a woman to date or marry."

Vaughn suggests meeting prospective mates in class and not at social gatherings or parties. However, both Verrett and Vaughn "strongly recommend" finding a mate through a mutual friend.

L. Lacy, a sophomore political science major from Missouri agrees that meeting women at Howard is "easy."

"It's easy to meet females at Howard, but it's difficult to meet a strong, black female," Lacy said.

"I'm looking for a relationship, not just dating someone. I want someone who is subtle and attractive, not a showcase girl. I'm looking to settle down," he added.

Chip Clark, a sophomore economics major from Alabama, says he looks beyond superficialities and expects the same from a woman.

"Obviously most people are attracted by outward appearances, but I am attracted to a woman who has a sound, intelligent state and clear ideas for the future," Clark said.

"Women have their guard up when men approach because since we outnumber them, they tend to think we are not sincere and have that 'love 'em and leave 'em, then get another one' attitude."

When dating a Howard woman, Lacy and Clark agreed that having funds and

a car is a definite advantage. However, Clark maintains that if a woman is sincere about you, "she will roll with you on a bus or in a scuffler (a tattered car)."

Chaundra Terrell, a senior Business major from Louisiana, said her dating years at Howard left much to be desired.

"When I got here my freshmen year, I was on bad terms with my boyfriend at home, so I was excited about dating at Howard," Terrell said.

After my first year, I realized that dating at Howard wasn't for me. A lot of times guys were not straight up and honest, and many of the cool ones just wanted one thing," she added.

Terrell admits that since she has become a senior, many males in her class are more serious about settling down and committing to relationships. Terrell is currently engaged to her boyfriend back home.

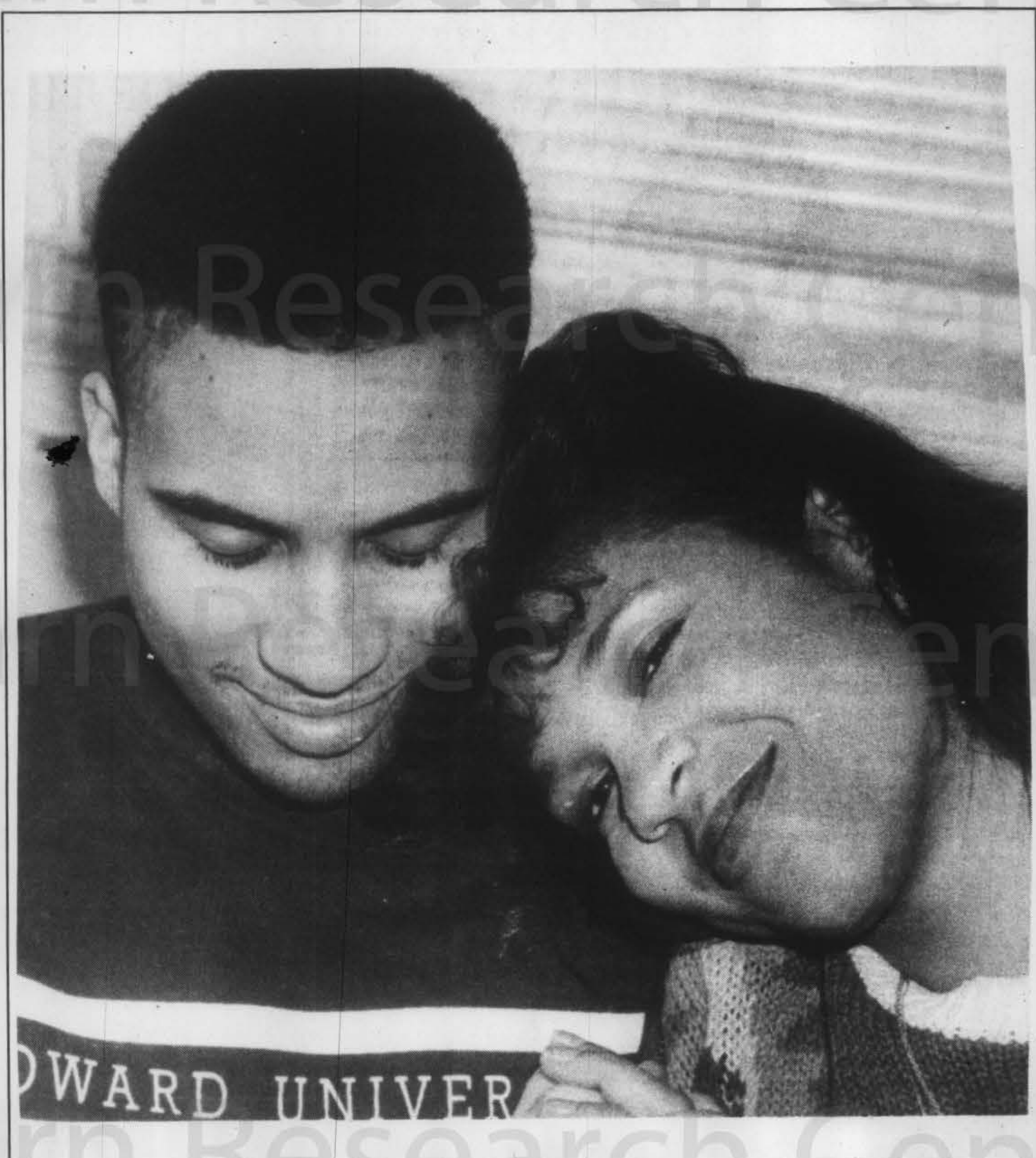
Chris Spence, a junior English major from North Carolina, has traditional values about a prospective mate.

"I am looking for a woman who has the characteristics of my mother because she epitomizes womanhood," he said.

"I like to spend some time to get to know a person. I like to be original with dating so that I can make a definite impression on a female."

So, how does the dating fairytale conclude? Does anyone ever find their Mr. or Mrs. Right?

According to Lacy, Clark, Terrell, and Spence, "You'll know them when you see them."



Marcus McCulston and Noni Ellison managed to find each other on Howard's campus.

Sexual practices persist despite STD's

By Jol Lynn Brown

Hilltop Staff Reporter

On college campuses across the country, practicing safe sex is a major concern in most college students' lives. This is also true at Howard University.

Dr. Carolyn Goode, sex educator and Counselor at the Student Health Center, said even though most students are sexually conscious at Howard, "many students do not see themselves at risk for diseases such as AIDS and sexually transmitted diseases." Goode said this leaves many students vulnerable to diseases.

According to health administrators, syphilis is the dominant sexually transmitted disease on many college campuses. Venereal warts, herpes, and chlamydia are also seen in large number on many campuses.

Along with the problems of dealing with sexually transmitted diseases, unplanned pregnancies are also on the rise. Because of the strict confidentiality involved, the student health center was reluctant to release the exact number of students on campus that have been treated for STD's.

Attitudes about sexual activity have greatly changed amongst students on Howard's campus. Health administrators believe the AIDS epidemic is largely responsible for turning many students toward birth control devices that also serve as protection against STD's. In general, more male students on campus are now

using condoms for protection against STD's.

Malcolm Brown, a junior at Howard, said he's had several sexual partners since coming to campus, but he uses condoms for protection. He said it was "very important to know your partners' past sexual history before engaging in sexual activity." Brown said although he doesn't mind using condoms, "it takes away from the natural feeling because latex suppresses the feeling."

Pelly Johnson, a junior in the School of Business, advocates the use of condoms. "I believe condoms are not for birth control but to protect you from sexually transmitted diseases and AIDS. You need extra protection, besides the condom, for birth control," she said.

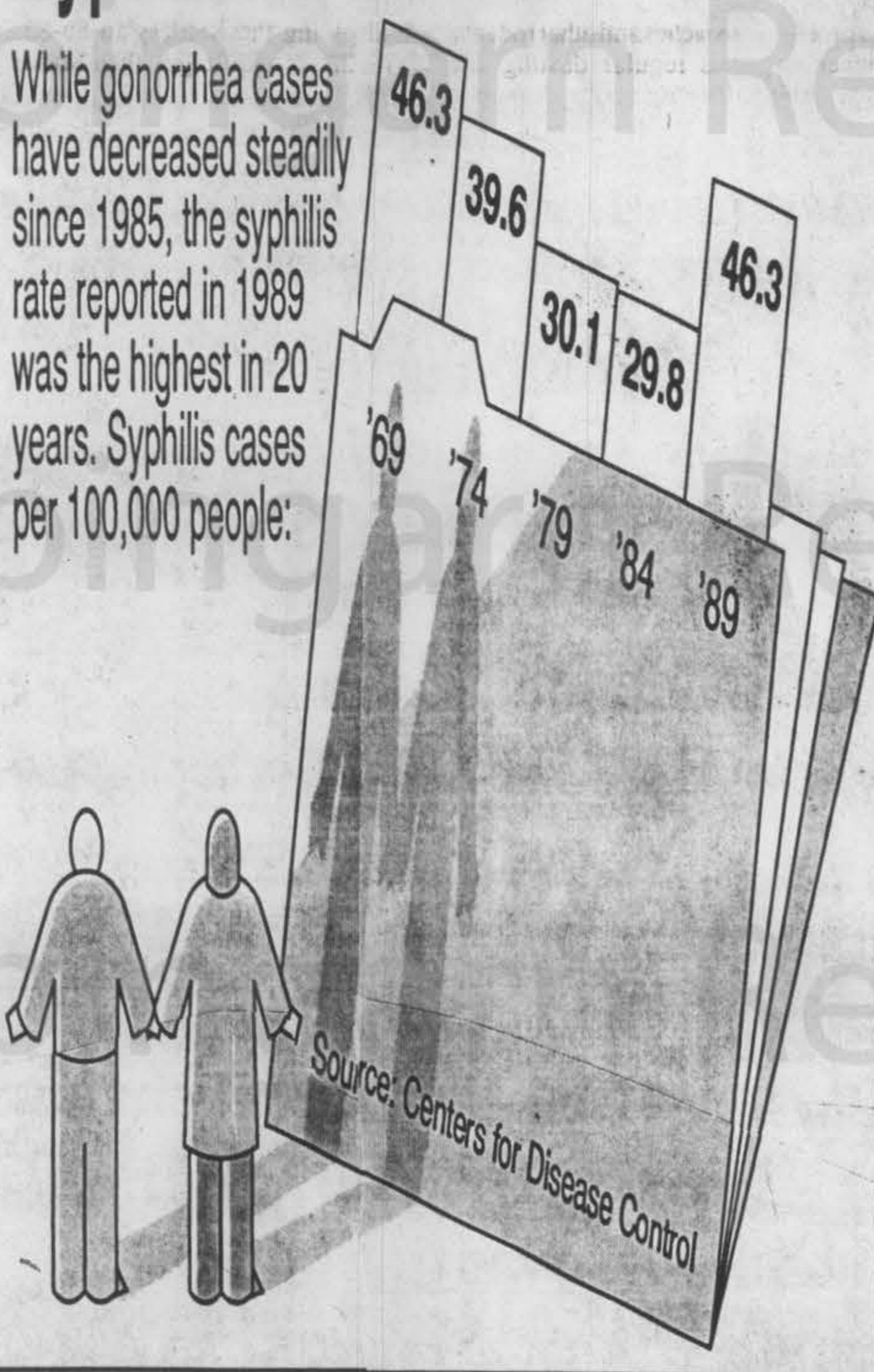
Many males seem to use condoms for birth control, while females see condoms as a method of protection from diseases. Sheila Marks, a liberal arts major, said "if you get involved with one man and you truly have a monogamous relationship, no matter what you do, it is still like sleeping with all of his past partners every time you have sex, regardless of the condom."

Dr. Candace Nelson, who also works out of the Howard Health Center, suggested that if students wanted to deter future sexual problems, they should, "use condoms and only allow themselves to be involved in monogamous relationships."

The student health center dispenses free condoms on a walk-in basis.

Syphilis on the rise

While gonorrhea cases have decreased steadily since 1985, the syphilis rate reported in 1989 was the highest in 20 years. Syphilis cases per 100,000 people:



Researchers study new report on genital warts

By Kim Painter

Special to the Hilltop

A highly sensitive test has found a virus linked to genital warts and cervical cancer in nearly half of California college women included in a new study.

The study, which involved 487 women getting routine gynecological exams, is published in today's Journal of the American Medical Association. It adds to growing evidence that genital human papillomavirus infection has reached epidemic proportions among sexually active young people.

It also suggests tests now used in doctors' offices fail to pick up many HPV infections.

Some HPV infections may be relatively harmless; however, certain types of HPV cause genital warts and others are thought to be linked with cervical cancer and other cancers.

Researchers at Cetus Corp., Emeryville, Calif., and the University of California, Berkeley, used a test that can locate and, in effect, magnify bits of genetic material from a wide range of HPV types. Tests found:

— 46 percent tested positive for HPV infection of the vulva, cervix or both when the highly sensitive test was used.

— Only 11 percent tested positive

New study finds Genital warts more common in women than first believed

with a standard HPV test used in doctors' offices.

— 5 out of 5 women with cervical abnormalities and 4 out of 5 women with anal or genital warts tested positive for HPV with the highly sensitive test.

The test has become a key research

tool, says Cetus researcher Michele Manos.

But such tests will have little diagnostic value until researchers know more about the links between various HPV types and disease, says Manos. "A lot more work needs to be done in order to understand the significance of this."

An annual Pap test to detect cervical cell abnormalities is still considered the best tool for diagnosing cervical cancer at its earliest stage.

(Kim Painter writes for USA TODAY.)

Virginity on campus: Does it really exist?

By Karen Goode

Hilltop Staff Reporter

Just for a moment, lets all try to be open and honest—shall we?

In this day and age, the words "virgin" and "extinct" are almost bluntly synonymous. We all know these individuals exist. Some are obvious, others are undercover. Their characteristics are vastly diverse; however, there is one undeniable fact about these individuals: they are the surefire minority here on "the hill" of H.U.

Among the many private, personal, and just downright "none-of-your-damn-business" questions that were asked to and about virgins, the question of WHY? stood out in everyone's mind.

For goodness sake, people, inquiring minds want to know—why in the world have you've waited for so long?

"I think in the beginning, it was more of waiting because growing up in a Christian home...premarital sex was taboo, so I never really considered it," said Michelle, a 19 year old sophomore from New York. "I don't know how the hell I made it through this long [as a virgin], but it's not anything I'm waiting on."

"I haven't felt comfortable enough with someone to share [sex] with," she continues. "I'm not waiting on marriage...if anything I'm waiting on someone I know will still be there [after sex]."

Gary, an 18 year old freshman from Ohio, felt that his hesitation pertaining to sex was not by chance, but by personal choice.

"A lot of guys are pressured to do it whether they want to or not. It's not a religious thing for me. I think it's more spiritual. I don't think it's right to be promiscuous. I believe in monogamy."

And indeed he does. Not only is Gary an admitted virgin, but he also has a girlfriend at Howard in the same category—a rare match seemingly made in heaven.

"[As far as love] is concerned, I already have that special person," Gary said. "I've been going with [her] for two years and we're eventually going to get married."

Pilar Roche, a 21-year-old senior from California, said that it was her lack of substantial relationships that has forced her to keep her virginity.

"I've never really had a relationship that I thought warranted sexual activity. I think it is the most intimate act that anyone can engage in. I think once I

start having sex, that I'll want to have it frequently. That's why I feel I need a serious relationship because of things like AIDS and the emotional impact of sexual experiences," she said.

As far as female virgins are concerned, most said much of their hesitation has to do with the initial physical pain that accompanies sex (can you blame them?).

"No one wants to look forward to the pain part of it," says Michelle. "I know that's gonna happen...but I don't get to the point where I don't want to have [sex] because [eventually] I do."

Many of the males interviewed said because of their lack of sexual activity, sometimes they may become the target of innuendo regarding homosexuality activity. Gary insisted that his lack of sexual activity did not automatically lead to homosexuality.

"No, I am not gay," he insisted. "I do have a girlfriend."

One day, the virgin just may have that long-awaited "special" experience and become a sexually active individual. Sherri, a 19-year-old sophomore from Wisconsin, has had one such experience. Just recently she lost her virginity to a relationship that became nonexistent soon after that first encounter. Now that she's on the other side of the fence, one must wonder if the grass really was greener.

"In the beginning I did say someone I loved would have to be my first," she said, "but it just seemed like it was right at the time. I recognize that he was not someone I loved. Love is such a strong word; however, he was somebody I really cared about at the time."

Fortunately, "regret" is not a word in her vocabulary. Despite the way the relationship ended, Sherri says she is very comfortable with herself psychologically as well as sexually.

"Actually I feel pretty good about myself sexually. I'm confident in my abilities," she says with a smile. I mean, just because you were a virgin doesn't mean you don't know what to do. I do think, however, there's a lot of emphasis placed on sex that shouldn't exist."

One must wonder, though. After terminating her membership, does Sherri miss being a part of the "Virgin Club"?

"No, I don't miss being a virgin, but I am glad I waited like I did. I know you're going to ask me why, so let me put it this way. Sex is a good thing as many people know. It's addictive. If I'd started any earlier, who knows how sexually active I'd be right now."

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Black women often have a low self-esteem about their beauty, because society often compares them with white women.

In search of higher self-esteem

BY TARRYN NOLE

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"To thine ownself be true" is the famous quote that describes the importance and necessity of self-esteem. Self-esteem is the basis of a healthy personality, defined as pride in oneself. As the famous psychologist Bruno Bettelheim said, "With some qualifications, I suggest that nothing is more characteristic of mental well-being than a healthy self-respect, a regard for one's body and its functions and a reasonably optimistic outlook on life."

Although self-esteem is something a person can develop well into old age, parenting also plays a large role. Parents with low self-esteem often rear children with low self-esteem and parents with high self-esteem raise children with high self-esteem.

There are many reasons attributed to low self-esteem that are manifested in symptoms such as an extreme need for positive reinforcement, poor physical appearance, intense interest in material objects, low energy levels, excessive boasting, criticism of others, dwelling in the past and excessive apologizing. These types of behavior are part of a negative self-image.

Many people do not realize that the reason they react certain ways and do certain things, reflect their self-esteem.

Men and women of Howard were asked what they did not like about themselves and many of the men mentioned their body, height, an inability to play certain sports, lack of openness, and need for control. Women concentrated on many of their physical traits such as weight, hair and smile with some concern for their shyness and fear of being lonely.

Gender identity becomes the center of self-concept by age three. Many women have internalized their attitudes about self because of the culture that has surrounded them. Women often do not recognize their strengths, while men have been raised to dismiss their weaknesses. In this form, some women differ and experience low self-esteem from the cultural training they receive and the attitudes towards women in this society.

In education, men are challenged more and remain dominant in the religious sector as leaders. Government is controlled by a majority of males, while women's input in government still remains low. History has depicted women as meek, domestic and obedient, leaving the media to portray them as whores, victims, and followers of men. Pornography remains the greatest force behind the image men have of women and their sexuality, displaying them as dirty, horny and stereotypically desperate. As a result of socialization, women have equated physical attractiveness with self-worth.

These and other forms of cultural antecedents leave women with low self-esteem that many men are able to escape.

American society places a strong emphasis on wealth, prestige and power, leaving those who are unable to achieve that goal or reach that status with anxiety and feelings of inadequacy.

This is true for the American society and dominant culture as a whole, but a person's social context and race also affects their esteem. Some blacks obtain high or low self-esteem from their social situations. Pride in the black community, schools, and home tend to develop a higher awareness of self. A study done on junior high school students, in the south, showed they had more self-esteem than their white peers and black counterparts in a northern urban setting. Positive role models are also an asset to developing self-esteem. This is sometimes excluded in the black community because they may not be available. Family structure also contributes to one's self-image. If a family is separated or never existed, blacks may suffer in the long run in terms of self-development.

On the contrary, many whites have more in terms of economic stability, power, and status, giving them more advantages and possibilities for higher self-esteem.

Howard students were given the chance to explain what ideals laid at the core of their self-esteem.

"My past accomplishments, my

future goals and watching my goals become reality, makes me proud and allows me to believe that nothing is unattainable," said Julie Kendrick, senior Accounting major.

"I know what I am good at, and I do know some things make me happy, so by knowing that, I know how to make myself feel happy, comfortable and satisfied. That gives me strength and esteem," said Theodore Snead, junior Public Relations major.

"I was always confident, but I think my self-esteem has grown since then, because I am independent, more understanding of what I can handle and reliant upon myself to take care of what life throws my way," junior, OT major, David Foster explained how his self-esteem has changed since high school.

In order to improve self-esteem, exercises can be done that concentrate on a person's strengths. Understanding one's faults can help one begin to evaluate them. It is important to evaluate oneself in different situations while remaining aware of one's different emotional and behavioral selves. Once a person realizes where the problem lies and begins to correct it, he or she can evaluate their progress and continue to nurture those things which cause self-esteem to be low.

Self-esteem is the essence of positive pride, self-awareness and respect, and without it, a person can be left undervalued and unaware of their ability to accomplish great things.

Tempoflash!!! Brand Nubian Invasion

By LISA M. MILLER

Hilltop Staff Reporter

The rap group, Brand Nubian, will be performing for Howard after the basketball game Saturday, Jan. 26, 11pm-5am at WUST Radio Music Hall.

Located on 815 V St., WUST parties have gotten a bum rap as being hot boxes and not the parties to go to if you want to hear the music. But Nasty Myxx Productions, who is working in conjunction with WHBC, promises a good time and good sound.

Brand Nubian refers to themselves as a New Rochelle-based radical group

raising the consciousness of both blacks and whites through the coinciding of African rhythmic and oral traditions and subversion/mastery of western high-technology.

The group consists of rappers Grand Puba Maxwell, Lord Jamar, and Derek X with DJ Alamo spinning on the wheels. Their first album, "One For All", is already a big hit out on the streets and in the cars of passers-by around Howard's campus.

The concert should prove to be quite an eye opening if we hopefully can only hear the lyrics this time.

Tickets cost \$6 before midnight with college I.D. So you know what to do.



Rap group, Brand Nubian, as they appear on new album.

Jackson, Hammer to appear on American Music Awards

By LISA M. MILLER

Hilltop Staff Reporter

The Grammys, the Oscars, the Emmys, the People's Choice Awards—which one is which? Well don't be confused, because this one speaks for itself. The 18th annual American Music Awards will be aired on Monday, January 28, 8-11pm, on ABC (Channel 7 for most of us).

Comedian Keenan Ivory Wayans will host the telecast and the categories include: pop/rock, country, soul/rhythm & blues, rap, heavy metal, and dance music. A total of 27 awards will be given out.

So how do they select the winners? Well, a national sampling of 20,000 people taking into account geographic location, age, sex, and ethnic origin, have been sent ballots by the Broadcast Research and Consulting Inc., research firm. Names of nominees on ballots were compiled from year-end sales charts of music industry magazine, *Cash Box*. Results are tabulated by KPMG Peat Marwick accounting firm and are kept secret.

Well, who's performing on this thing that you may want to see? Bell Biv DeVoe, M.C. Hammer and Mariah Carey. En Vogue, the Pointer Sisters, Keith Sweat, and Al B. Sure! are also scheduled to appear on the show.

Now to the good stuff—who's getting nominated for what. It must be Hammer time again, because rapper, M.C.

Hammer, has been nominated for seven awards this year!

Quincy Jones, Keith Sweat, and M.C. Hammer have been nominated for favorite male artist—what kind of selection is that?

The new white hope in rap, Vanilla Ice, is being nominated for four awards: favorite new rap artist, favorite new pop artist, favorite rap album, and favorite rap artist. Did we miss something? And get this, he has a biography out!

You'll be glad to know the new singing (and I do mean singing) sensation, En Vogue, has been nominated for favorite new dance music artist and for favorite dance music single.

The new and improved Janet Jackson is not doing too bad, either. She has been nominated for five awards, including favorite female artist in pop/rock, soul/rhythm & blues, and dance music!

Don't worry Bostonites. Bell Biv DeVoe has been nominated for four awards, one being favorite new artist. But get this, they're against some tough competition: Johnny Gill and Lisa Stansfield.

Janet Jackson and M.C. Hammer are both up for favorite album in soul and pop categories. They are competing against Phil Collins in pop and Quincy Jones in rhythm & blues.

So, if you're interested in this type of thing, tune in at 8pm to see the winners, but remember they'll probably leave all the good awards and performances until the last hour (10-11pm) anyway. So, you can watch the Fresh Prince of Bel Air at 8pm like you usually do.

Howard grad writes new film: 'Reflections'

By LISA M. MILLER

Hilltop Staff Reporter

It is always refreshing to hear about a young black success story whose educational experience originated from the "Mecca," Howard University. Screenwriter, Tracey L. Fisher, may be the star of another one of these stories.

Fisher comes directly from Howard's accredited and internationally recognized graduate film program, and she may be on her way to the top with her current feature length screenplay—"Reflections: When the Mirror Doesn't Lie."

The movie takes place in the Washington metropolitan area, at Johnson University, an integrated post-secondary institution. Within the university, a black professor (Dr. Elvin Winston), who teaches a controversial course in civil liberty in America, uses actual situations to make his points. Because of his views and his political awareness, combined with conflicting notions about the other, Winston and his



Film's screenwriter, Tracey L. Fisher

white wife are driven apart.

The play has two subplots. One involves members of the Union of Afrikan-Americans (U.A.A.)—specifically Leroy Billings, a man prejudiced against anything "white"—who are clashing with the White Student Union (W.S.U.), specifically William

because he believes they are all disapproving of him. Tolbert is a dissatisfied student with Winston's class and reports him to school administrators and to his father (who is on the School Board of Directors); eventually Winston is suspended which causes rising

Tolbert, a bigot who seems to want to destroy and black empowerment students at the university have achieved.

Billings, who was raised in the inner-city, never had a positive experience with anyone white and dislikes them.

is suspended which causes rising tensions on the campus.

The second sub-plot is about Tolbert, who, although racially bigoted, finds himself attracted to Johnna (a pretty black student). Johnna is not prejudiced and treats everyone equally, although she is involved with the U.A.A. Tolbert seeks his father's attention by treating blacks the way he thinks his father would like him to and therefore tries to undermine accomplishments made by blacks on campus and "having" black women whom he lusts after but does not respect.

Because of Winston's suspension, there is an increase of student protest, and, after involving himself in a protest, he is arrested, his wife leaves him, and his career is put on the line.

Fisher, originally from Philadelphia, got her start writing in the essay contests of the Concerned Black Men, Inc. and on the staff of the Germantown Courier. Her work on her school paper, during undergraduate work at Syracuse University, was controversial and brought many issues to the forefront of her central state New York college.

Get down and 'Boogie' at Georgetown's new diner

By LISA M. MILLER

Hilltop Staff Reporter

You may often find yourself wandering around the streets of Washington looking for something to do. Georgetown often tends to be the spot, when all else has failed, to wander aimlessly about going in and out of shops you can't afford.

Fortunately, there is one more place you probably haven't tried. Located on 1229 Wisconsin Ave., Boogies is a fashionable store as well as a diner. The diner has replaced the Esprit clothing store that once was there and has brought to Georgetown a new concept of food and fashion.

The parent division of Boogies is Merry-Go-Round Enterprises, Inc., the 300-store Merry-Go-Round Fashion Boutiques. Their motto for the store is to "Eat heavy. Dress cool."

The cuisine at Boogies features many signature items such as Hot, open-faced turkey sandwiches served with homestyle mashed potatoes and pan-dripping gravy, homemade turkey vegetable rice soup and chili, oversized cheeseburgers with a choice of cheeses and toppings, and a "mountain of fries" served with gravy, chili or cheese toppings.

The menu at Boogies is in the shape of a juke box and true to the spirit of an American diner, they have an authentic, full-service soda fountain. They have lemon, cherry, chocolate or vanilla cokes and milkshakes or malts.

Don't forget dessert! Boogies serves strawberry shortcake and a Congo Bar Sundae, which is layers of cookie loaf with brown sugar and chocolate chips, served with vanilla ice cream and hot fudge.

Boogies serves a Sunday brunch menu from 11am-3pm featuring a variety of egg entrees.

Fashion is also a major part of Boogies.

"Forward fashion apparel reflects the energetic style and attitude of the Boogies Diner customer," said George Kucin, vice president of men's merchandising for Boogies Diner and

Joppa, Maryland-based Merry-Go-Round Fashion Boutiques.

"Everything found at Boogies Diner has a distinct, attention-drawing character that specifically caters to the most fashion-conscious shopper," said Kucin.

Boogies sells Boogie Diner t-shirts and sweatshirts, jackets embellished with glitter, stones, studs and original Boogies Diner logos are available. Custom jackets featuring Washington's "skyline" of monuments and other landmarks, including the diner, are also available.

Other fashion statement-making pieces such as faux zebra-trimmed jackets and sequined bustiers are for "the woman with style who wants to look different from anyone else when she walks into a room," according to Stephanie Fassier, vice president of women's merchandising for Boogies Diner.

Vibrant colors are also a part of the Boogie style and attitude.

Men have a variety of pants, jeans, silk, and rayon shirts, and blazers from which to choose.

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Boogies also has many fashionable accessories to choose from: leather fringed boleros, boots and 25 varieties of t-shirts.

The store also specializes in fine leather outerwear targeted for Washington men and women.

The diner was originally developed by Leonard "Boogie" Wineglass in Aspen, Colorado. Baltimore native Wineglass was the inspiration for the character Boogie in "Diner," the hit movie set in Baltimore and directed by his real-life friend, Barry Levinson.

There is also a Boogies in downtown Chicago, and one will open in New York's midtown Manhattan this spring.

Boogies' hours are Monday-Thursday, 10am-9pm; Friday and Saturday, 10am-11pm; and Sunday, 11am-6pm.



Some of the sumptuous entrees served at the new Boogies Diner and fashion boutique.

Poetry Corner

A Soldier's Story

The phone rang through the house louder than church bells on Sunday.

Mother's tears were even louder.

The silence had already choked my father; all he could do was stare at the receiver.

Tell your brother goodbye, my mother whispered.

I took the phone. "Hey, boy," I said, "If you're scared say you're scared," I told him hoping he would laugh.

"I'm scared," he said.

Silence choked me.

"I gotta go. I love you," he said.

The fear in his voice rendered me helpless. Me, his big sister. The one who mama always told to look out for him.

This time I couldn't.

I couldn't look at either of my parents.

They couldn't look at each other.

The silence again; the silence.

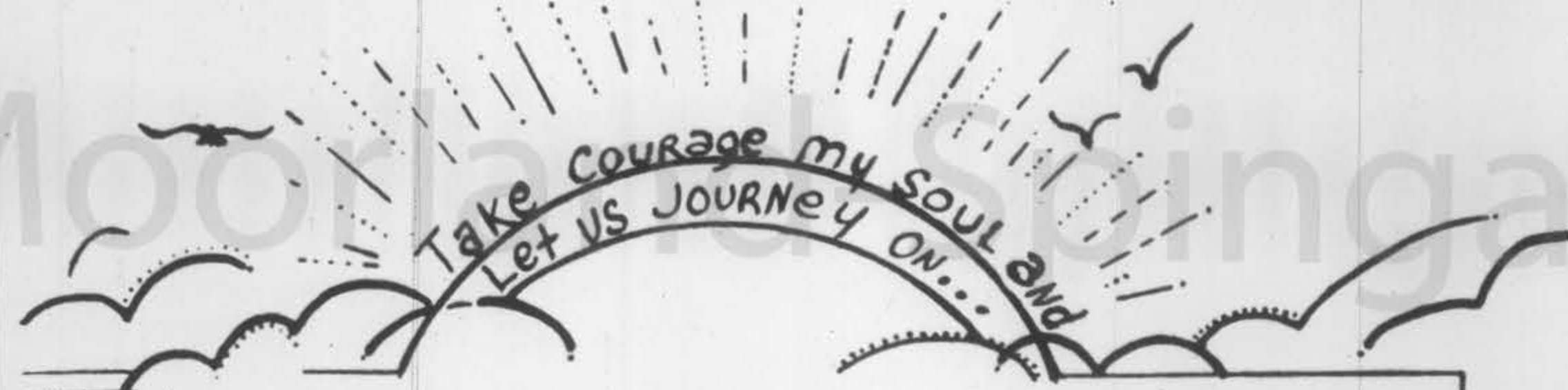
The days go on and we perform our daily activities. We silently watch, listen, and pray.

But still, the silence, that damn silence chokes the heart of my family.

Lenore Verra

This poem is dedicated to my brother, Airman John V. Vincent, Jr., who was deployed to Saudia Arabia. Love your sister.

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HEALTH & FITNESS

Don't drink the water

BY CRYSTAL WHALEY

Hilltop Staff Reporter

Local government officials have made every attempt to assure the public that anti-terrorism measures have been effectively implemented. Despite these assurances, however, there is a growing concern among local residents about the potential threat of water tampering.

Logic dictates that the Washington area is a top target for terrorism with its numerous government officials, diplomats, embassies, defense contractors and military personnel.

Security was tightened at places considered likely targets of terrorist activity—airports, power plants, dams, and government buildings.

Major bombings and chemical attacks that experts predicted have failed to materialize, however, the District of Columbia authorities are by no means letting down their guard.

Security has tightened around area reservoirs and other various places.

According to a representative of the Water Suburban Supply (WSS), which monitors Prince George and Montgomery County's water supply, "We (WSS) are of a heightened awareness in this situation".

District Mayor, Sharon Pratt

Dixon, said on channel seven news, "We (D.C.) will have a much more alert police force, but there is no need for fear....We are more vulnerable than most other communities. However, we are more poised than other communities to deal with security problems."

Dixon representative Paul Costello said Thursday that District police have assigned added security at "all the vital channels including water...."

"There is the motivation for terrorists to bring the war home to the United States....to seek retribution," said Bruce Hofman, a terrorism expert with the Rand Corporation in a recent interview with the Washington Post.

Howard University students are generally concerned about terrorism's effects on their daily water intake. Students have become aware of the threat of possible contamination of area dams, reservoirs, and water treatment centers.

"I am very concerned about the possible threat of contamination of our (D.C. residents) water supply; especially since we (Howard University's campus) are directly across the street from the reservoir (McMillan Water Treatment Plant). I drink spring water now, but I still bath

see H20, page 4



PHOTO BY FRANK BRYD

Black lifestyle linked to increased disease

BY CRYSTAL WHALEY
and DEBORAH VENEY

Hilltop Staff Reporters

Blacks have a higher mortality rate than their white counterparts in several major diseases that are directly related to lifestyle and diet. Cardiovascular disease, cancer, and diabetes are among the highest killers of Blacks.

"We (African-Americans) cannot continue to disregard what we eat as if our diet has no effect on our health status. In fact, what we eat is both directly and indirectly related to every major illness that we know of," said Dr. Therman E. Evans, a pediatrician and former chairman of the Board of Education of the District of Columbia.

There is a link between weight control and blood pressure problems. Black women in general tend to suffer the highest hypertension rates of any other collective group. Thirty-five percent of all Black women between the ages of 20 and 44 are overweight.

Nearly one-half of all the female participants in the survey estimated that they were between 10 and 15 pounds over their ideal weight.

From the research indicated, it is easy to understand why Blacks have the highest rate of hypertension of any group in the United States, from the research indicated.

The weight trend in the Black community at large is identical to the Black collegiate community. This is indicative of a dangerous pattern that will lead to serious future health problems. Weight control is second only to cigarette smoking in importance to improving general health.

According to a recent study conducted by the Food and Drug Administration, sugar makes up to 24 percent, or one-quarter of the average Black daily caloric intake. Forty percent of the participants revealed that they snacked on foods high in sugar content.

Along with the problem of excess calories that accompany a diet laden with foods high in sugar, a high sugar intake can lead to serious health problems. The more sugar the human body consumes, the more insulin the pancreas gland must produce, leading to an increased risk in contracting diabetes.

Black students are just as likely to contract diabetes as a result of an excess amount of sugar in the diet as other members of the Black community. It is even possible that students might be at an increased risk because of the unhealthy eating habits that college students have.

"I don't really have time to actually sit down and prepare a well balanced meal," said Sabrina Williams, a senior in the School of Communications.

"I am so busy, I usually just end up eating one meal a day," said Williams.

The amount of sodium in the diet of Blacks has also placed them at an increased risk of contracting life-threatening ailments. Salt has been proven to raise blood pressure. Howard University physicians and clinicians routinely suggest that their hypertensive patients cut down on their salt intake.

Processed meats, cheeses and cereals are all heavily salted. These foods make up a large part of the average college

student's diet. Thirty-two percent of the students that participated in the study reported that they generally tended to eat foods with a high salt content when snacking. The average African-American consumes about four to five grams of sodium a day, while a "junk-food junkie's" intake is over 20 grams of sodium a day.

The "junk-food junkie" is greatly endangering his or her health. Twenty percent of daily sodium intake greatly exceeds the one-half to one gram of sodium required daily for good health.

College students, because of their busy lifestyle, are prone to be "junk-food junkies". They are more likely to grab something quick to eat, while not concentrating on its nutritional value.

"After class I usually grab a bag of potato chips, two candy bars, and a soda on my way to the shuttle. It tends to tie me over until I can eat dinner," said Kevin Johnson a sophomore in the School of Business and a Slove Hall resident.

A large number of the respondents of the study reported eating food at irregular intervals and skipping breakfast. According to a study conducted by Dr. Mark Altshuler, a cardiologist at Howard University Hospital, the number of meals in which the total caloric intake is divided is very important, because the "fewer the meals, the greater the likelihood a person has of becoming obese."

"In all honesty, I only eat breakfast on the weekends. I usually eat something around 12 p.m. and something around 7 p.m., and I never forget my midnight snack which is usually sweets," said Stacy Anderson, a junior in the College of Liberal Arts.

Most students are very likely to eat their heaviest meal, usually including meat and vegetables, in the late evening. A person with these particular eating patterns is an excellent candidate for obesity, or general health problems.

Ninety-five percent of Blacks that undergo crash diets regain all or most of the weight they lost. There is evidence that suggests severely restricting food intake triggers a chemical in the body that over-stimulates the appetite once the diet has ended.

What is needed is a dietary regimen that one can follow throughout life, and that behavior must be complemented with a sensible exercise program.

An alarmingly high percentage of the participants of the study reported that they exercised only twice a month or less. Exercise is an essential component of total fitness.

A positive trend in the Black community as a whole, as well as the Black collegiate community is an interest in having regular visits to the physician's office. Seventy-two of the participants of the study said they visited their doctor's office often. This discovery would indicate a greater attention to healthy lifestyles, however; statistics show otherwise.

FOR WOMEN ONLY

Cosmetic problems such as acne and excessive facial hair may be more than skin-deep, a new study indicates. In a woman, they may signal an increased risk of heart disease.

Dr. Carol G. Wilde, an endocrinologist at the University of Maryland, says that adult acne or facial hair may be

"tip-offs" to overproduction of testosterone, a "male" hormone that women also produce, usually in small amounts. Wilde is currently studying the ways in which high testosterone levels affect a woman's metabolism.

"When a woman's body produces too much testosterone," says Wilde, "it may be associated

with obesity, a resistance to insulin, and blood fat (lipid) abnormalities." All three are risk factors for heart disease.

Lipid abnormalities can be identified through a simple blood test. Wilde recommends that overweight women with acne or excess facial hair have their blood

lipids tested.

If there is abnormality, several treatment strategies are available, ranging from diet and exercise to medication that can slow or stop testosterone production.

Proper treatment can remedy the metabolic and cosmetic problems.

Chemical terrorism: Gas masks may not be available if Washington is attacked

By CRYSTAL WHALEY

Hilltop Staff Reporter

"Chemical warfare is a very real concern to me. Chemicals are ruthless. They do not discriminate. They might appear instantly and fatally or they might linger and appear 20 years from now in a diseased form.

"No one knows. That is what scares me the most," said Carol Marshall a senior in the College of Liberal Arts.

The use of chemical weapons came to America's attention during the Vietnam war when pesticides, such as "agent orange", were sprayed on troops as an experiment.

"Agent Orange" is a chemical pesticide soldiers were exposed to that caused various cancers, birth defects, and a range of other ailments among the thousands of Vietnam troops and their offspring.

Vietnam veterans experienced unexplained skin lesions, according to the Pain Center in the Veteran Affairs Medical Center.

Chemical weapon usage has resurfaced in the 1990's, and is once again a concern for America's military. Today's military personnel and citizens of various countries have an advantage

over chemical warfare. There are new fall-out shelters, gas masks, and chemical antidotes that would protect individuals from the ramifications of a chemical holocaust.

Iraq has claimed to have an abundance of chemical pesticides to use on American troops. It is also likely, according to the Department of the Defense, that Iraqi forces possess mustard gas, which burns the skin, throat and lung linings.

According to the Department of Defense, Iraq has at least two types of nerve gas, tabun and sarin. Chemically related pesticides, tabun and sarin, kill by interfering with metabolic functions and causing a build-up of a key chemical messenger in the human body called acetylcholine, which operates in the gap between the nerve and muscle cells.

A build-up of acetylcholine may cause drooling, excessive sweating, cramping, vomiting, confusion, convulsions, an irregular heartbeat, loss of consciousness, and coma. A human can die within ten minutes of a deep inhalation of the chemical, sarin.

Dangerous levels of tabun can last in the atmosphere as long as two days, however; sarin can only last up to a couple of hours.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, nerve gas can linger for weeks.

The area in which gas is effective is usually small and is dependent on the weather.

According to the Department of Defense, in the event that the troops in the Persian Gulf are contaminated by nerve gas, the United States soldiers and Israelis have needles to inject themselves with a nerve gas antidote called atropine. Atropine counteracts the gas by stopping acetylcholine from building up in the gap between nerve and muscle cells.

If the atropine is injected when a person has not been exposed to nerve gas, it can cause symptoms such as a racing heartbeat, anxiety, and hallucinations that mirror an overdose of cold medicine.

Gas masks are currently one precaution individuals can do to protect themselves against chemical terrorism. For instance, scud missiles assumed to be armed with chemical warheads, hit near Tel Aviv, Haifa, and Safed, Israel on Jan. 18. Gas masks were ordered to all Israeli's to be worn as a precaution against chemical weapons. Gas masks, however, are not guaranteed.

Gas masks, in conjunction with the chemically injected antidote, caused three deaths and various illnesses in Israel. Three people were reported to have suffocated after failing to remove

a cap on the breathing canisters of their gas masks.

Gas masks filter the air wearers breathe. The paper, carbon, and various metals in the filter absorb the incoming vapors of nerve gas. Gas masks, however, may be hard to find in the District of Columbia.

According to a representative, of "Sunny Surplus" who asked to not be identified, a chain of retail military supply stores, "We are currently out of gas masks. There was a large number of purchases during the week of the attack (Jan. 15 to Jan. 19) and the week before (Jan. 7 to Jan. 15). We won't have another shipment until next week."

The retail price of gas masks range from \$15.99 for a used mask, to \$24.99 for a new mask. Gas masks, however, only protect wearers against tear gas.

Howard University students are aware of the threat of chemical warfare in the Persian gulf and in the District.

"I hope all the soldiers participating in Desert Storm are aware of the dangers of Hussein's possibly chemical war tactics on them (the troops). I hope they

are trained in administering all the necessary precautions to survive such an attack," said Mark Thomas, a sophomore in the School of Business.

HEALTH HINTS

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movie guide

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Union Station (202) 842-3751

—Awakenings (PG-13) Fri. and Sat. 1:20, *4:10, 7:10, 9:30.

—Kindergarten Cop (PG) Fri. and Sat. 1:20, *4:10, 7:10, 9:30.

—Flight of the Intruder (PG-13) Fri. and Sat. 1:10, *4:10, 7:10, 9:50.

—Hamlet (PG) Fri. and Sat. 1:30, *4:30, 7:20, 10:00.

—Greencard (PG-13) Fri. and Sat. 1:40, *5, 7:30, 9:50.

—Misery (R) Fri. and Sat. 2:50, 7:40, 10:00.

—Mermaids (PG-13) Fri. and Sat. 12:30, *5:20.

—Home Alone (PG) Fri. and Sat. 12:50, *5:10, 7:40, 10:10.

—Edward Scissorhands (PG-13) Fri. and Sat. 1:50, *5:10, 7:30, 9:50.

—The Russia House (R) Fri. and Sat. *4:20, 7:00, 9:40.

—Look Who's Talking Too (PG) Fri. and Sat. 1.

*Twilight show all seats \$3.50.

CINEPLEX ODEON DUPONT CIRCLE

1350 19th St. NW (202) 872-9555

—Edward Scissorhands (PG-13) Fri. - Sun. 2:15, 4:30, 7:15, 9:30, *11:35.

—Sheltering Sky (R) On two screens. No passes. Fri. - Sun. 2, 2:30, 4:45, 5:30, 7:30, 8:30, *10:15, *11:30.

—Hidden Agenda (R) Fri. - Sun. 2:10, 4:35, 7:10, 9:35, *11:45.

—Nasty Girl (PG-13) Fri.-Sun. 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:45, *11:45.

All shows before 6 p.m. \$3.25.

*Late show Fri. and Sat. only.

CINEPLEX ODEON CIRCLE JENIFER

5252 Wisconsin Ave. NW (202) 244-5703

—Eve of Destruction (R) Sat. 7:10, 9:30. Sun. 2:10, 4:30, 7:10, 9:30.

—Lionheart (R) No passes. Sat. 7:20, 9:40. Sun. 2:10, 4:40, 7:20, 9:40.

All shows before 6 p.m. \$3.25.

CINEPLEX ODEON CIRCLE MACARTHUR

4859 MacArthur Blvd. NW (202) 337-1700

—White Fang (PG) Sat. 7, 9:30. Sun. 7, 9:30.

—Awakenings (PG) No passes. Sat. 7:10, 9:40. Sun. 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40.

—The Russia House (R) Sat. 7:20, 9:50. Sun. 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50.

All shows before 6 p.m. \$3.25.

CINEPLEX ODEON CIRCLE WEST END 1-4

23rd and L streets NW

—Lionheart (R) No passes. Fri. - Sun. 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45, *12.

—Men of Respect (R) Fri. - Sun. 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40, *12.

—Come See the Paradise (R) No passes. Fri. - Sun. 2:05, 4:35, 7:05, 9:35, *12.

—Not Without My Daughter (PG-13) Fri. - Sun. 2, 4:30, 7, 9:30, *11:50.

All shows before 6 p.m. \$3.25.

*Late show Fri. and Sat. only.

CINEPLEX ODEON CIRCLE WEST END 5-7

23rd and M streets NW (202) 452-9020

—Home Alone (PG) Sat. 7, 9:30. Sun. 2, 4:30, 7, 9:30.

—Kindergarten Cop (PG) Sat. 7:10, 9:40. Sun. 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40.

—Reversal of Fortune (R) Sat. 7:20, 9:50. Sun. 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50.

All shows before 6 p.m. \$3.25.

CINEPLEX ODEON WISCONSIN AVENUE CINEMAS

4000 Wisconsin Ave. NW (202) 244-0880

—Kindergarten Cop (PG-13) Fri. - Sun. 2:05, 4:35, 7:05, 9:35, *12.

—Greencard (PG-13) No passes. Fri. - Sun. 2:10, 4:40, 7:10, 9:40, *12:10.

—Awakenings (PG-13) No passes. Fri. - Sun. 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45, *12:10.

—Mermaids (PG-13) Fri. - Sun. 2:20, 4:50, 7:20, 9:50, *12:10.

—Once Around (R) No passes. Fri. - Sun. 2, 4:30, 7, 9:30, *12.

All late shows before 6 p.m. \$3.25.

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K-B CEREBERUS

3040 M ST. NW (202) 337-1311

—Flight of the Intruder (PG-13) Sat. 5:10, 7:35, 9:55, *12:15. Sun. 2:45, 5:15, 7:35, 9:55, *12:15.

—Awakenings (PG-13) Sat. 4:35, 7:05, 9:35, *12:05. Sun. 2:05, 4:35, 7:05, 9:35, *12:05.

—Not Without My Daughter (PG-13) Sat. 4:50, 7:15, 9:40. Sun. 2:25, 4:50, 7:15, 9:40.

—Rocky Horror *Fri. and Sat.

midnight.

Fri. - Sun. first matinee \$2.50.

*Late show Fri. - Sun. only.

K-B FOUNDRY 1-7

1055 Thomas Jefferson St. NW (202) 337-0094

—Eve of Destruction (R) Sat. 5:20, 7:30, 9:40, *11:50. Sun. 3:10, 5:20, 7:30, 9:40, *11:50.

—White Fang (PG) Sat. 5:05, 7:15, 9:25, *11:35. Sun. 2:55, 5:05, 7:15, 9:25, *11:35.

—King of New York (R) Sat. 5:20, 7:45, 9:55, *12:05. Sun. 3:10, 5:20, 7:45, 9:55, *12:05.

—Edward Scissorhands (PG-13) Sat. 5, 7:10, 9:20, *11:30. Sun. 2:50, 5, 7:10, 9:20, *11:30.

—Home Alone (PG) Sat. 5:10, 7:20, 9:30, *11:40. Sun. 3, 5:10, 7:20, 9:30, *11:40.

—Bonfire of the Vanities (R) Sat. 5, 9:50. Sun. 5, 9:50.

—Mermaids (PG-13) Sat. 7:25, *12:10. Sun. 2:35, 7:25, *12:10.

—Goodfellas (R) Sat. 7, 9:45. Sun. 3:30, 7, 9:45.

*Late show Fri. - Sun. only.

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PEOPLE

"Dream Guy" comes to Howard

By TAMAR LEAK

Hilltop Staff Reporter

"There is no comparison to the level of talent at Howard." These are words spoken by Mike Malone, seasoned veteran of stage and screen who has brought his expertise to Howard University, where he is the director and choreographer of Howard University's production of *Dreamgirls*, which will be at the Ira Aldridge Theater from March 6-16.

Malone is doing his second stint at Howard as the coordinator of the music theater program. Fifteen years ago he spent a few years teaching at Howard where he had a promising young student who would take the dance world by storm.

"Debbie, she called herself Deborah Kong-Allen at the time, was introduced to me by her sister, Phylicia Rashad, who also attended Howard," Malone said. Debbie was a chorus member in Malone's first production, the musical *Music Man*. Malone said that Allen's talent was "very, very obvious" at that time that he taught her. His contact with her led to a chance to choreograph episodes of *Fame* when Allen had her first child. He also choreographed Melba Moore's *Lift Every Voice and Sing* video, which featured Jasmine Guy as a dancer.

When asked to compare the pace of stage plays in New York to those of California, Malone said "Hollywood is laid back," and added he would not like to live there. He said the major drawback is that there are virtually no theaters in

Los Angeles. Malone has worked on Broadway, on television, in Europe and, as he puts it, "all over the world."

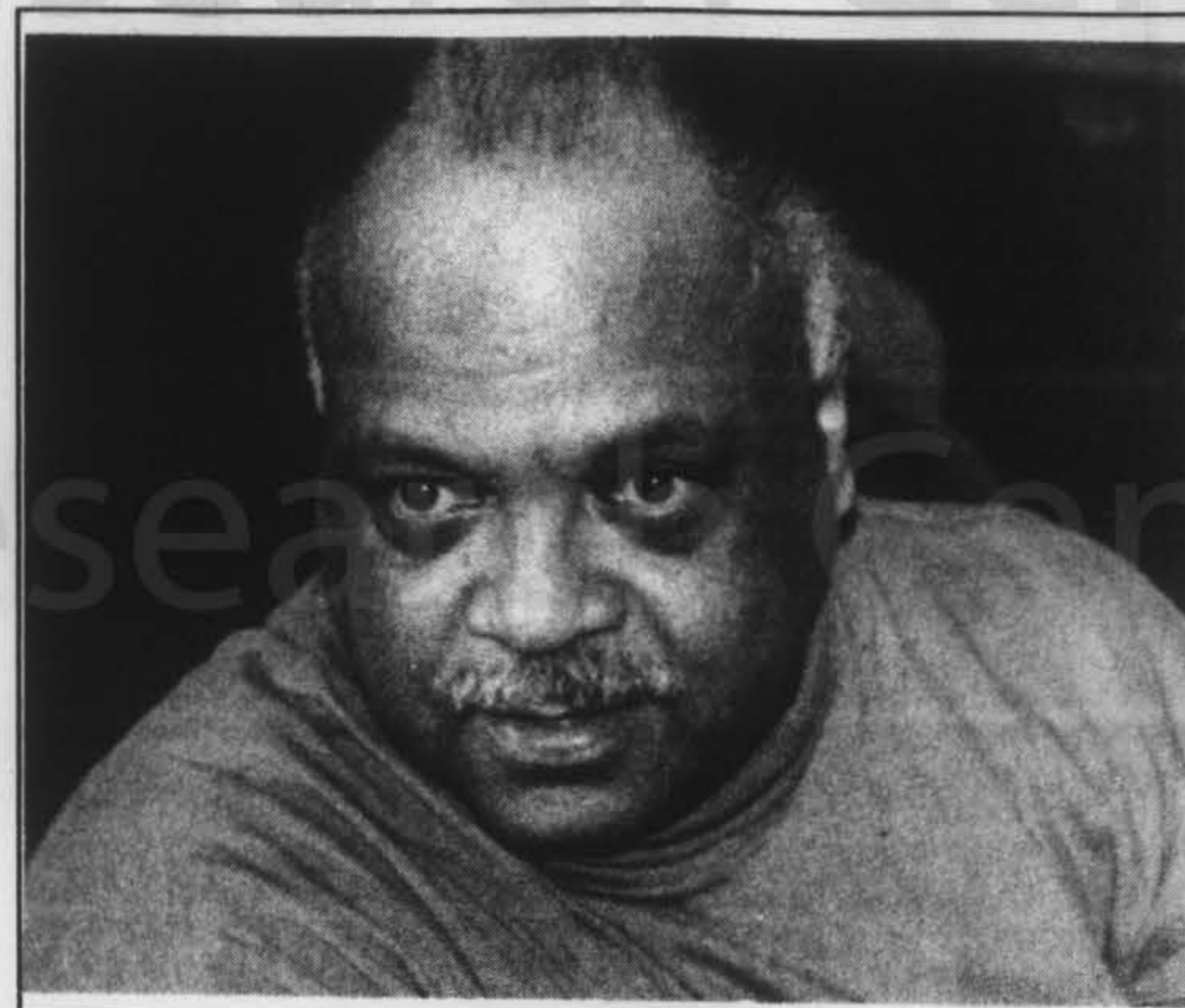
Malone looks back on his theater career as a pleasant one. He says, "Every time you work on a play you discover new things." Dance was always Malone's first interest. He was brought up on 50's musical movies. "I used to get sent to the movies every Saturday," he laughingly remembers. Malone believes that his avid interest in movies sparked his interest in the theater. The choreographer prefers musicals as opposed to other forms of drama. "Black Nativity" by Langston Hughes, is one of his favorite plays.

"Dreamgirls", created by Michael Bennett in the late 1970's, was written after Bennett consulted a troupe of actors

about common problems that they were experiencing in the business. *Dreamgirls* has been compared to the story of the Supremes, and Malone acknowledges this similarity.

Malone was one of the founders of the Duke Ellington School of the Arts in DC. He also worked at Karamu House in Cleveland, where he was a director. He earned a master's degree in Theater from Catholic University and a master's degree in French Literature from Howard University. He also obtained a Bachelor of Science in French from Georgetown University.

Malone expressed a great deal of confidence in the talent at Howard University's College of Fine Arts and in this year's production of "Dreamgirls."



Mike Malone

STUDENT SPEAKOUT

DO YOU THINK THERE WILL BE TERRORIST ATTACKS IN THE UNITED STATES?



"No at this point, but as the war continues, terrorism becomes more of a possibility"

Ali Ryan, Sophomore



"Yes, there will be terrorism if the war continues."

Benjamin "Giz Mo" Issac, Senior

"Yes, definitely, because this is a new type of warfare. One way to affect the psychology of the American public is terrorism. It has a paralyzing effect on us."

Kevin E. Harris, Senior



"I'm undecided whether or not terrorism will actually occur in the U.S. Based on Hussein's actions so far, if there is terrorism, DC will be an essential target."

Kelly Fountaine, Junior

"No, but only if the air security is as good as it is supposed to be."

Eli Turner, Freshman



"Yes, because they (Iraqis) are already torturing our POW's over in the Persian Gulf."

Anthony Patrick, Sophomore



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SPORTS

Basketball 91': The Lady Bison on a four game win streak, the men continue their slump

By CHRISTOPHER TAYLOR

Hilltop Staff Reporter

The Lady Bison began the first of six games in eight days with a 73-63 non-conference victory over the Cheyney State Lady Wolves Tuesday at Burr Gym.

Looks can be deceiving, as it would appear by the final score that Cheyney State played Howard tough. Well...they did for about 15 minutes.

Howard (6-7) thanks to some great inside play and shooting by guard Felicia Oliver (17 points) took a impressive 43-25 lead at halftime, as the Lady Wolves looked and played sluggishly.

The second half started with more of the same, and after Howard center Tonya Banks (14 points) scored on a layup, the Lady Bison had the biggest lead of the game at 56-28 with 16:17 to play.

But Cheyney State (5-10) came back...almost. Guard Cherie Jarmon spearheaded a defensive that trapped and did other things to spark the team. Their play resulted in Howard turnovers, as the Lady Wolves started a comeback.

A 23-5 run by State cut the Howard lead to 61-51 as an angry coach Sanya Tyler called timeout with 7:52 to play. Cheyney State had three chances to cut the lead to eight or less, but the Lady Bison played tough defense to prevail for the win.

QUOTE MACHINE

"We should have played like (we did in the second half) that earlier. We started sluggish...and our heads



Felicia Oliver number 24 looks to pass the ball against Bethune-Cookman

were not in the game," said Cheyney State head coach Jackie Tunstall.

"I think we didn't come out mentally strong. We got complacent and got too relaxed," said Howard forward Willina Robson.

GAME NOTES

Cheyney State shot 20 of 81 from the field for the game. Howard had four people in double figures: Oliver 17, Rosalyn Evans 14, Angelitta Elliott 10, Tonya Banks 10.

Howard will host the number three team in the country, North Carolina State on Super Sunday at 1:30 in Burr Gym.

Lady Bison win

Anytime a coach says we left our game on the bus, you know that something is probably wrong. So was the case as the Bethune-Cookman Lady

Wildcats were soundly crushed by the Howard University Lady Bison 72-42 in a Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference game played at Burr Gym on January 17.

Howard (5-7, 3-1) took immediate control of the game, going up 17-2, only 10 minutes into the game, as guard Felicia Oliver scored eight early points.

Things did not get any better for the Wildcats, as hampered by poor first half shooting, they fell further behind at 23-6 after Howard forward Annette Lee's

excellent low post move for a basket.

Bethune capped a woeful 20 minutes of play, only shooting .200 from the field for the half, and trailed 38-19 when guard Angelitta Elliott scored at the buzzer. The Lady Wildcats play showed little offensive life and their defense did not play much better.

Howard, able to get the ball inside, increased their lead to 48-27 when Elliott scored on her own miss. The Lady Bison soon had the biggest lead of the game when Rosalyn Evans hit a short range jumper with 1:31 to go. That gave Howard a 71-36 advantage, as Howard held on for their third straight win.

QUOTE MACHINE

"The key tonight was the long bus ride (18 hours from Daytona Beach Florida)...It was our worst game of the year...I feel sorry for the girls," said Bethune-Cookman head coach Alvin Wyatt.

Men's overtime thriller ends in lost

Howard's inability to hold two late leads cost them dearly as they lost a 79-77 double overtime thriller to Bethune-Cookman in a Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference game played Thursday at Burr Gym.

This game appeared to be won after Bison guard Robert Riddick hit a three-point basket with 5:19 to go in regulation, giving them a 59-52 lead. Bethune (4-12, 3-2) chipped away at the lead, and tied the score at 62 with a three-point basket by guard Ambrose Austin with

1:44.

In the first overtime both teams traded baskets as no team had bigger than a three point lead. Forward Ronney Gibbs for Howard hit one of two free throws with 40 seconds tying the score at 66-66.

The second overtime had Howard (1-14, 0-5) again with a five point lead (76-71) after Riddick hit two free throws with 2:40 left. But a tough Wildcat team which was undersized and less talented, wanted this game more and got the comeback victory.

Guard Clifford Reed (game high 28 points) hit a 15 foot shot with 23 seconds left to give Bethune a 78-76 lead. After a free throw by Howard guard Ricky Dodson cut the lead to 78-77, Reed connected on two pressure free throws with four seconds left. After a Bison timeout, Dotson's drive to basket was met by good defense and the shot never got off.

QUOTE MACHINE

"They (Bethune) played well...they were within there limits...I want Rick (Dodson) to push the ball up the court and make something happen," said Howard head coach Butch Beard.

"It was my play to take it up court and try and get a shot...This was the hardest loss of the year. We had this game in the bag, and it got away," said Dotson.

"The team has played good this year, but the results haven't shown it...It's very nice to get a win here," said Wildcat head coach Cy McClair.

Howard Athletic Department Notebook

In a joint effort to advance the knowledge and technical expertise of our coaches, Howard University will be the Coaching Education Center for District of Columbia Special Olympics.

Dr. Jessyna McDonald, Chairperson of the Department of Physical Education at Howard will be host for the event. The idea behind establishing a "Coaching Education Center" DCSO and Howard University will work to

establish consistency in the presentation of the Special Olympics sports curriculum.

Also, the center will provide the opportunity to validate the curriculum so that we can insure that the methods being taught are in fact the best and most effective means of coaching Special Olympics athletes.

Another objective of the center is to provide Howard University students a better opportunity to coach DCSO

athletes as part of the Physical Education curriculum.

In some instances like the February aquatics clinic, the Coaching Education Center will enable those who attend the opportunity to attain Continuing Education units.

The center will allow for consistency of presentation in the curriculum from year to year, allowing for knowledgeable decisions on curriculum adjustments. The adjustments will address the current

trends of the sport in relation to effectively coaching the Special Olympics athlete, making annual attendance at the coach course.

For more information, please contact the Howard Physical Education Department (202) 806-7142.

Football:

Former Howard football defensive coordinator Charlie West who spent the past season as defensive coordinator of the British Columbia Lions in the

Canadian Football League was named recently to be defensive back coach of the New England Patriots.

The Patriots were 1-15 last season and have a new coach in Dick McPherson. West also coached in the Denver Broncos system.

Two winners from the historically black Mid-Eastern and Southwestern Athletic Conference will meet in the newly formed Heritage Bowl to be held in 1991.

Soccer:

James "Ted" Chambers was inducted into the National Soccer Coaches Association's Soccer Hall of Fame on January 11 at the Atlanta Hilton. Chambers, who coached the Bison soccer team from 1946 to 1964, is presently a professor emeritus in the university's physical education department. He was one of seven people in the organization's inaugural class.

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